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#### City of Beverly

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Agenda
REVISED Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 22, 2022
City Council Chambers
191 Cabot Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

7:00 PM

**Roll Call of Members:** 

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Sweeney

**Moment of Silence:** 

Resolutions: None

Presentations, Awards and Memorials:

- 1. Finance Director Bryant Ayles and ARPA Manager Jamie Corliss-Small Business Assistance Program.
- 2. Tim Flaherty, Director of the YMCA

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- 1. Special Joint City Council Meeting, October 13, 2021
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#### Communications from His Honor the Mayor:

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project fund.

5. Order #051-Reappointment-Mr. Michael Murphy as City Republican Committee Representative on the Registrar of Voters.

6. Order #052-2022 Member Rate schedule for the Beverly Golf

and Tennis Commission.

7. **LATE FILE**-Order #066-Transfer of \$325,000 of the City's Free Cash for the remainder of the purchase price as well as costs of improvements to the two lots on Simon Street.

#### Communications, from other City Officers and Boards:

1. Order #054-Budget Analyst Gerry Perry-SESD FY21 Annual Treasurer's Report.

2. Order #055- Sergeant Henebury-Amendment to Include Handicapped Parking Space at Lyons Park Located across from 126 Lothrop on the East side.

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#### Communications, Application and Petitions:

1. Order #065-National Grid, New England Power Company Petition for Transmission Line Franchise.

2. Order #053-FOTH-Notice of Project Change-EEA No. 16145. Maps and booklet on file in the City Clerk's Office.

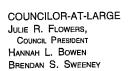
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Motions and Orders: None

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#### City of Beverly

## Special Joint City Council Meeting with Salem City Council Public Meeting Minutes 7877 FFF

#### Wednesday, October 13, 2021, 6:30pm

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This meeting was conducted pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021. This remote meeting was held over Zoom and live streamed by BevCam.

Christine Madore, Salem City Council President, called the meeting to order at 6:38pm.

City Clerk, Lisa Kent, took the attendance of the Beverly City Council by roll call.

Beverly Members Present: Stacy Ames (arrived at 6:57pm), Dominic Copeland, Kathleen Feldman, Timothy Flaherty (arrived at 6:48pm), Julie Flowers, Scott Houseman (arrived at 6:57pm), Todd Rotondo, Estelle Rand

Beverly Members Absent: Paul Guanci

Councilors recited the pledge of allegiance.

Kimberley Driscoll, Mayor of the City of Salem, stated this is a pretty historic meeting. It is not often that Beverly and Salem City Councils come together. Beverly and Salem share a coastline, have similar attributes and are in each other's backyards all the time, so it makes sense to work on this together. The [Resilient Together] plan had a lot of community input. The hope is that this meeting could really ensure that Beverly and Salem are building awareness and growing advocacy for a climate change agenda and that can be dual tracked. There is a lot of work ahead. Driscoll expressed her excitement to have this action plan.

Jenna Ide, Director of Sustainability, Capital, Resiliency in Salem, thanked the mayors and communities for their support. Ide stated that her work is really coordinating the efforts of so many others. What can be seen tonight is where things are now and where they are going. It is a community effort and an ongoing conversation.

Flaherty joined at 6:48pm.

Erina Keefe, Sustainability Director in Beverly, gave a high-level glimpse at what the plan contains. She presented on the climate action and resilience plan (Resilient Together) and reviewed some of the program's goals, priorities and actions.

Ames and Houseman joined the meeting at 6:57pm.

Keefe highlighted some of the resources and tools from the project, including the resilient-together.org website.

Madore opened it to questions or comments.

Rotondo left at 7:08pm.

Feldman commented on the business toolkit and resident toolkit and asked if there are ideas on legislation for some of the long term plans to have teeth and policy behind some of the great ideas.

Keefe stated the toolkits are suggestions and cannot be enforced but often have a return on investment. There will be codes that municipalities can vote to adopt coming later on.

Houseman asked as policy makers what can be done to combine the strength of common voices to help push a climate resilience and clean energy future at the state house.

Driscoll discussed some of the things Salem is doing. If there are ways to develop local policies and ordinances to work on together, it makes for a more level playing field and hopefully puts into play the items, goals and objectives in the Resilient Together plan. Jointly governing with respect to policies and ordinances would make a lot of sense.

Flowers stated she was curious to think together about how to make sure these mitigation strategies are accessible for all residents.

Madore stated the power of regional partnership at a local level is boundless. Madore highlighted the importance of thinking about where the bar is set for the accessibility of these incentives, tracking who is benefitting from them and leveling the playing field on these action steps. Madore asked if the joint commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 50% by 2030 was informed by specific metrics and if it is achievable.

Keefe stated it is aggressive and requires movement right now in significant and meaningful ways. The major high impact areas are mostly the building sector and transportation. Electrification, removing fossil fuels from the roads and businesses, is a challenge right now.

Driscoll talked about coming up with strategies for transportation and working on the community engagement piece.

Rand stated she loves the long-term thinking about behavior changes and the grassroots support for this kind of shift. Rand stated she represents the downtown of Beverly which has a lot of transit-oriented development and expressed curiosity about the immediacy of the need for policy to guide development so that any new development is part of the solution.

Keefe stated a net-zero building code that could be adopted for new development is about 13-14 months away. In the interim, as new proposals come online, there have been discussions with the developers.

Driscoll stated the intention is to be thoughtful about wanting housing and construction that will follow greener practices and how to think about the impacts and do it smartly.

Wynne stated she is intrigued by a green construction ordinance like Salem is looking at and balancing that and what can be required. Wynne talked about weighing the things wanted out of a project and ending up with feasible development opportunities with aligned expectations.

Rand supported the idea of the strength of these two neighboring communities tackling that together because then leverage is doubled and raising the bar for expectations on development.

Councilor Turiel from Salem stated one dilemma to take in mind is that there are housing issues in both communities and building codes and in developing policies based on this, there will be the need to find ways to incentivize this for developers. Many of the technologies for a greener structure are more efficient for the long haul, but most developers are not looking at the long haul but at how to build and sell.

Flaherty stated funding is also going to be the difference of what can be done. Flaherty asked about EV charging around the cities.

Keefe, Driscoll and Houseman talked about some of the locations and how to plan and put together a network with partners.

Copeland stated one of the frustrating things when it comes to sustainability is seeing each department working on its own. It would be nice to see everyone come under one umbrella to

form a coherent game plan. Erina has been doing that more for Beverly, but also across the North Shore eventually being able to come up with some sort of coherent sustainability practice. Copeland asked if that is something that is being looked towards.

Driscoll stated Salem formed a sustainability and resiliency division and things are done very collaboratively. What gets budgeted, gets done, so Salem is budgeting and hiring people. Driscoll stated she is hopeful that will position the city well.

Keefe stated there are a lot of regional networks that staff participate in.

Councilor McCarthy from Salem recognized everyone on the call and stated that it speaks volumes to the commitment of the people on the call to their communities. Decisions made now will have effects years down the road. Sometimes more money will be spent on a project to get it right; it is going to be a long-term benefit. Starting this relationship is going to be beneficial moving forward. The more that can be done together, the better off.

Madore stated another big issue facing both communities is housing. Beverly, Salem and Peabody have a joint memorandum of understanding for housing. That is something worth exploring for resilience.

Councilor Dibble from Salem stated city councilors can lead the charge and promote other people to do the same. Dibble stated he welcomes the green building ordinance and would encourage Beverly to take a look at what Salem has created. Dibble asked how much of the human health impact of natural gas has been looked at.

Keefe stated it has not been looked at a lot. Local groups have been doing a lot of advocacy around that. The plan revolves more around solutions, like how to expedite the transition and replacement of cast iron pipe with PVC since cast iron is really responsible for the gas leaks. There are some incentives in Beverly. National Grid is charged for cutting into a road so one of the incentives Beverly has is just allowing them to do it for free while doing other utility and road rehab work. Part of it is trying to understand what the levers for city intervention are. Keefe stated there is a push to electrify and get fossil fuel out of new developments at a minimum and to not see any new gas connections. The economics have turned in the past couple years so that moving from propane or oil directly to electric heat pumps makes more sense than trying to get a new gas line installed.

Councilor Riccardi from Salem noted that she loved hearing all the support for a green building ordinance and that she is really excited to continue that support and momentum into action to get the green building ordinance passed. Jenna Ide and her team have been working really hard on getting it updated. Riccardi highlighted the importance of continuing communication and education with the public for steps that can be done and will add up. Riccardi also noted the importance of making sure tools can get into the hands of everyone.

Madore thanked fellow councilors and the clerks and staff for putting this together. Madore stated she looks forward to implementing some of these recommendations.

Riccardi moved that the presentation be received and placed on file for the Salem City Council. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried (9 in favor-2 absent).

Rand echoed comments on this being something to be proud of for our communities. Houseman moved to receive and place on file. Flowers seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried (8-0).

McCarthy moved to adjourn. A roll call vote was taken, and the Salem City Council meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Houseman motioned to adjourn the Beverly City Council meeting. Ames seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried (8-0). The meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.

# City of Beverly Regular City Council Meeting Public Meeting Minutes Monday, February 7, 2022, 7:00pm City Council Chambers, 191 Cabot St.

Julie Flowers, City Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, City Clerk, Lisa Kent, took the attendance by roll call.

Members Present: Hannah Bowen, Steven Crowley, Kathleen Feldman, Scott Houseman, Estelle Rand, Todd Rotondo, Brendan Sweeney, Matthew St. Hilaire, Julie Flowers

Members Absent: None

Rand led the pledge of allegiance.

#### Resolution

Order #045-Councilor St. Hilaire-Stu Irving, Silver Medalist in 1972 Olympics.

A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

#### Presentations, Awards and Memorials

#### Dean Berg, Executive Director Green Beverly

Berg presented updates on what Green Beverly has been doing in the past few months. The two major categories of services are community projects and community engagement. The three current community projects are Urban Agriculture, GreenUp 100 (upgrading to 100% renewable electricity for low-income housing), and Food Diversion. On the community engagement side, there will be a sustainability showcase built in the Green Beverly space at the Cummings Center with a grant from the Beverly Cultural Council. There are events coming up, and the biggest two are Coastal Communities Talk Water at the Cabot on March 10 and Earth Fest at Lynch Park on April 24. There will also be a number of workshops coming up.

Bowen asked about opportunities for people to think about how to use outdoor spaces differently and if there are actions that city departments could help take or policies councilors could think about putting in place.

Berg stated there are certainly opportunities to look at spaces differently. One idea has been for Green Beverly to have pop-ups in different places. Green Beverly works very closely with Erina Keefe, the Sustainability Director. Officially Green Beverly's focus is on the residential and local business side.

Julia Long, Green Beverly member, stated that Earth Fest is co-sponsored by the City and Green Beverly. Councilors will be hearing more about that and should keep it on their radar.

Houseman suggested the civic associations as a place for outreach.

Flowers thanked Berg for the presentation and Green Beverly's work and stated it will be a collaborative effort.

#### Comments by Citizens

#### Leah Jones, 211 Lothrop Street

Jones stated she is here as a resident, a Human Rights Committee member, and a mom. Jones read a short statement on behalf of the Human Rights Committee asking for a vote to amend Beverly's City Council rules to include a land acknowledgement statement. Jones also read a statement of support from Lauren Barthold, 16 Whitney Avenue, who could not attend the meeting.

#### Wayne Miller, 5 Pasture Road

Miller expressed his support for adding the land acknowledgement statement. Miller stated Green Beverly's executive board has welcomed the idea of using a land acknowledgement statement.

#### Lorinda Visnick, 39 Middlebury Lane

Visnick stated she is speaking on behalf of herself as a resident and not representing the School Committee. Visnick said she is in favor of the acknowledgement and celebrates the fact that groups are committed to doing better.

#### **Minutes**

Legal Affairs and Public Services/Committee of the Whole, November 15, 2021

Regular City Council Meeting, December 6, 2021

Regular City Council Meeting, January 18, 2022

Legal Affairs/Committee of the Whole, January 31, 2022

A motion to approve was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

#### Communications from His Honor the Mayor

Order #029-Grant-A \$7,974.36 grant for Community Traffic Safety Projects Grant from the EOPSS and the OGR for the Beverly Fire Department to purchase child passenger safety seats.

Referred to Committee on Finance and Property.

Order #030-Reappointment-to serve on the Beverly Golf and Tennis Commission, Mr. Martin Lawler, 109 Water Street.

Referred to Committee on Public Services.

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Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

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Order #046-Declaration Regarding the Unique Qualities and Location of 14 and 34 Simon Street for Purposes of Acquisition Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16(e)(2).

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

#### Communications from other City Officers and Boards

**Order** #033-Councilor Rotondo and Councilor Crowley-Consideration request to hold a Public Service forum to address the flooding in Ward 1 and Ward 3.

Referred to Committee on Public Services.

Order #034-City Clerk-A letter to the Council of our intentions to ask for an increase in election workers salaries in the FY23 City Clerk Budget.

A motion to receive and place on file was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

Order #035-Councilors St. Hilaire, Feldman and Crowley-A request for four Veterans Plaques to be placed in different locations in the city. Two in ward six, one in ward five and one in ward three. These Veterans were killed in action in Vietnam.

Referred to Committee on Public Services.

Order #036-Council President-Reappointment-City Clerk and Clerk of Council Lisa Kent.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

**Order** #037-Councilor Crowley-Request to hold a Public participation forum for a Public Service Committee Meeting regarding Varian Site at 150 Sohier Road.

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Order #038-City Clerk-Application for a new Class II Auto Dealership License for Alba Auto located at 449 Cabot Street. This business is located at the Cabot Fuels gas station location.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

**Order** #039-City Clerk-Application for a new Taxi/Livery license for Logistics Transportation Services, Inc. located at 8 Munroe Street.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

Order #040-Barbara Wells, Retirement & Pension Administrator-Notice of the Beverly Retirement Board Meeting to vote on a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for retired members and survivors of the Beverly Retirement System for 2022.

A motion to receive and place on file was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

Order #041-City Clerk-Applications for Lodging House Renewals for 2022.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

#### Communications, Application and Petitions

**Order** #042-Commonwealth of Massachusetts Local Election Districts Review Commission-Approval of redistricting map of Beverly.

A motion to receive and place on file was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

**Order** #043-Department of Environmental Protection Waterways Regulation Program-Notice of License Application Number W21-6076.

A motion to receive and place on file was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

**Order** #044-National Grid-A Petition for plan # 30452436 in accordance with the plan marked Bay View Ave.

Referred to Committee on Public Services.

The motion to recess for committee work was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0). The meeting recessed at 8:01pm.

Flowers called the meeting back to order at 8:26pm.

#### Reports from Committees

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Order #023-Council President Flowers-Amendment of the Rules and Regulations, Rule 19 Order of Business.

Referred back by Legal Affairs Committee for more discussion.

Flowers read into the record the letter of support from Thomas Green of the Massachusett Tribe.

Abu Toppin, Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, read a quote from James Baldwin and stated this is an opportunity to fix a broken foundation of systemic racism. Toppin highlighted the importance of courageous intent and looking from a different angle. Change can begin with a land acknowledgement.

Feldman stated she is a member of the diversity audit for the City of Beverly. At the time that the director of diversity, equity and inclusion position was approved it was very in step with the moment. Feldman stated she had hoped it was the beginning of something and not just a way to say they did something by creating a position. Feldman stated she is excited as a councilor to have something to act on and her personal feeling is that it is the right thing to do and does not impact the course of business or the work done for constituents; it is just stating the facts and paying honor to that. Feldman stated it is the same reason she co-sponsored the plaques for the Vietnam veterans; it is the right thing to do.

Bowen stated that she thinks this is an important practice and something that should be built into the regular, ongoing approach to meetings. Bowen said feedback she received since the committee meeting has been overwhelmingly positive. Even opening the conversation has made people feel more welcome.

St. Hilaire stated he believes DEI issues are a priority for Beverly and that he is excited for the conversations and work ahead and is looking forward to the results of the racial equity audit.

St. Hilaire stated he is opposed to changing the rules of the Council and requiring that the statement be read at the beginning of every meeting. St. Hilaire stated he is happy to acknowledge the history but there are other ways to do it. This is the beginning of a conversation together.

Sweeney stated it is important to continue the conversation regardless of the result of the vote here. Sweeney thanked the residents that reached out and reflected on the opportunity that this presented to research the history of indigenous peoples in this area and learn more. Sweeney stated it is important to take proactive action as a Council to make the city more welcoming and to recognize indigenous people. Sweeney stated he is going to vote no on this matter because it comes down to amending the rules and orders to have the land acknowledgement statement read after the pledge of allegiance. Sweeney stated he does not think the intention at all was to make it a rebuttal to the pledge of allegiance but some folks may perceive it as such. It is important to focus on the pledge being a unifying call to the republic. It unfortunately has not applied to everybody equally throughout the course of the nation's history. Sweeney stated he thinks it is important to have the pledge stand alone and perhaps have a resolution framed in Council Chambers or another measure to continue the conversation would be the best step forward at this time.

Houseman clarified the nature of the vote and confirmed that the vote is not to adopt the specific language but to amend the rules of order. Houseman echoed other remarks celebrating the fact that the Council is having these kinds of conversations. It is important to value these kinds of conversations. Houseman stated that it is not difficult to think that the name of the state comes from the Massachusett Tribe. That does not seem a particularly hard thing to acknowledge; it is certainly not threatening in any sense. It is a historical fact. Houseman stated that as community leaders this is an opportunity to invite the community at large to be faced with something different and perhaps strange and uncomfortable and ask why and what is this all about. It is a good thing as community leaders for the Council to create opportunities for the community to move forward. The notion of having a land acknowledgement seems to be a positive step forward.

Crowley stated he thinks the Council is all in agreement as far as how important it is and what has happened in the past; a lot of what is being dealt with now is deciding how to do it. Crowley stated he is not sure if it is an every time meeting thing. Crowley stated there is passion here and some great strides have been made and there is a long way to go. Crowley recommended doing a resolution and hanging it up.

Rand stated she hears that some Councilors do not feel ready to change the rules and orders and can respect that everyone is at different places with this process. Rand noted other things the council has done like banning plastic bags or inclusionary zoning, which did not start off being totally accepted. What shifted the vote then was to hear more from the public. Rand moved to refer back to Legal Affairs with the intent to hold a public forum. Houseman seconded.

Bowen stated it is both an encouraging and a frustrating proposal. Bowen agreed community conversations should continue but expressed concern that it would delay action.

Feldman echoed the sentiment and stated she is unsure what amount of public support would change the reasoning for votes if it is a procedural reason for not changing the rules of orders.

St. Hilaire agreed that he is not sure what a prolonged discussion would accomplish. This is not the end of DEI discussions within this body.

Houseman stated his notion of referring it back to Legal Affairs is that it gives an opportunity to start working on crafting some proposed language as a way of continuing the conversation. This would be more a procedural matter as a way of moving forward rather than a delay.

Rotondo stated he is not worried about the language right now but about changing the rules of order.

Rand withdrew the motion.

Houseman withdrew his second.

A motion to approve was made and seconded.

Flowers asked Rotondo to chair the meeting as Council Vice President in order to speak her opinion on the item.

Flowers thanked her fellow City Councilors for the opportunity to engage in this conversation, Thomas Green of the Massachusett Tribe and Abu Toppin for being generous with their time and the residents who took time to reach out. Flowers recognized the commitment in the room to learning more and doing better as a community. Being on the journey together really means getting up every day and setting out on the path again. Regardless of the vote tonight, this is an opportunity to connect with the Massachusett Tribe as it is today and to build relationships as a community. Flowers stated she is glad the Council is having this conversation and that since she first ran for City Council, she talked about what it might be to be a community and leaders who prioritize love and care for people and what it might look like to set those as the highest values and know that everything else needed would follow from there.

A roll call vote was taken, and the motion failed since amending the Council Rules and Orders requires approval by a two-thirds vote (5-4; Bowen-Yes, Crowley-No, Feldman-Yes, Houseman-Yes, Rotondo-No, Sweeney-No, St. Hilaire-No, Flowers-Yes).

Flowers stated the next regular meeting will be February 22.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

The meeting adjourned at 9:31pm.

# City of Beverly Special City Council Meeting Public Meeting Minutes Saturday, February 12, 2022, 9:00am

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Julie Flowers, City Council President, called the meeting to order at 9:15am, City Clerk, Lisa Kent, took the attendance by roll call.

Members Present: Hannah Bowen, Steven Crowley, Kathleen Feldman, Scott Houseman, Estelle Rand, Todd Rotondo, Brendan Sweeney, Matthew St. Hilaire, Julie Flowers

Members Absent: None

Bowen led the pledge of allegiance.

#### Presentations, Awards and Memorials

Lisa Kent, City Clerk, and Christine Dixon, Assistant City Clerk presented on some of the rules, orders, and procedures for the Council.

Abu Toppin, Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, presented on his role for the City and work for the past year.

Din Jenkins, President of Supply the Why, presented on essential steps for having a difficult conversation.

Rachel Borgatti, Director of Beverly Main Streets, presented on the organization and some of its projects.

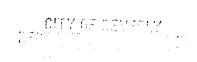
Flowers mentioned opportunities either quarterly or biannually to do shorter conversations on different topics.

Rotondo noted that the Council should be able to set/review the pay for the City Clerk since the Council hires the position.

Houseman stated the benefit of having independent legal counsel for the City Council.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0). The meeting adjourned at 1:57pm.

# City of Beverly Regular City Council Meeting Public Meeting Minutes Monday, February 7, 2022, 7:00pm City Council Chambers, 191 Cabot St.



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Julie Flowers, City Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, City Clerk, Lisa Kent, took the attendance by roll call.

Members Present: Hannah Bowen, Steven Crowley, Kathleen Feldman, Scott Houseman, Estelle Rand, Todd Rotondo, Brendan Sweeney, Matthew St. Hilaire, Julie Flowers

Members Absent: None

Rand led the pledge of allegiance.

#### Resolution

Order #045-Councilor St. Hilaire-Stu Irving, Silver Medalist in 1972 Olympics.

A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

#### Presentations, Awards and Memorials

#### Dean Berg, Executive Director Green Beverly

Berg presented updates on what Green Beverly has been doing in the past few months. The two major categories of services are community projects and community engagement. The three current community projects are Urban Agriculture, GreenUp 100 (upgrading to 100% renewable electricity for low-income housing), and Food Diversion. On the community engagement side, there will be a sustainability showcase built in the Green Beverly space at the Cummings Center with a grant from the Beverly Cultural Council. There are events coming up, and the biggest two are Coastal Communities Talk Water at the Cabot on March 10 and Earth Fest at Lynch Park on April 24. There will also be a number of workshops coming up.

Bowen asked about opportunities for people to think about how to use outdoor spaces differently and if there are actions that city departments could help take or policies councilors could think about putting in place.

Berg stated there are certainly opportunities to look at spaces differently. One idea has been for Green Beverly to have pop-ups in different places. Green Beverly works very closely with Erina Keefe, the Sustainability Director. Officially Green Beverly's focus is on the residential and local business side.

Julia Long, Green Beverly member, stated that Earth Fest is co-sponsored by the City and Green Beverly. Councilors will be hearing more about that and should keep it on their radar.

Houseman suggested the civic associations as a place for outreach.

Flowers thanked Berg for the presentation and Green Beverly's work and stated it will be a collaborative effort.

Referred to Committee on Finance and Property.

Order #046-Declaration Regarding the Unique Qualities and Location of 14 and 34 Simon Street for Purposes of Acquisition Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16(e)(2).

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

#### Communications from other City Officers and Boards

**Order** #033-Councilor Rotondo and Councilor Crowley-Consideration request to hold a Public Service forum to address the flooding in Ward 1 and Ward 3.

Referred to Committee on Public Services.

Order #034-City Clerk-A letter to the Council of our intentions to ask for an increase in election workers salaries in the FY23 City Clerk Budget.

A motion to receive and place on file was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

Order #035-Councilors St. Hilaire, Feldman and Crowley-A request for four Veterans Plaques to be placed in different locations in the city. Two in ward six, one in ward five and one in ward three. These Veterans were killed in action in Vietnam.

Referred to Committee on Public Services.

Order #036-Council President-Reappointment-City Clerk and Clerk of Council Lisa Kent.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

Order #037-Councilor Crowley-Request to hold a Public participation forum for a Public Service Committee Meeting regarding Varian Site at 150 Sohier Road.

Referred to Committee on Public Services.

Order #038-City Clerk-Application for a new Class II Auto Dealership License for Alba Auto located at 449 Cabot Street. This business is located at the Cabot Fuels gas station location.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

**Order** #039-City Clerk-Application for a new Taxi/Livery license for Logistics Transportation Services, Inc. located at 8 Munroe Street.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

Order #040-Barbara Wells, Retirement & Pension Administrator-Notice of the Beverly Retirement Board Meeting to vote on a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for retired members and survivors of the Beverly Retirement System for 2022.

A motion to receive and place on file was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

Order #041-City Clerk-Applications for Lodging House Renewals for 2022.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs.

#### Legal Affairs

Order #036-Council President-Reappointment-City Clerk and Clerk of Council Lisa Kent.

A motion to approve was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

**Order #038**-City Clerk-Application for a new Class II Auto Dealership License for Alba Auto located at 449 Cabot Street. This business is located at the Cabot Fuels gas station location.

A motion to approve was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

**Order** #039-City Clerk-Application for a new Taxi/Livery license for Logistics Transportation Services, Inc. located at 8 Munroe Street.

A motion to approve was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

Order #041-City Clerk-Applications for Lodging House Renewals for 2022.

A motion to approve with the stipulation that all inspections are completed was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

Order #046-Declaration Regarding the Unique Qualities and Location of 14 and 34 Simon Street for Purposes of Acquisition Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16(e)(2).

A motion to approve was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0).

Order #023-Council President Flowers-Amendment of the Rules and Regulations, Rule 19 Order of Business.

Referred back by Legal Affairs Committee for more discussion.

Flowers read into the record the letter of support from Thomas Green of the Massachusett Tribe.

Abu Toppin, Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, read a quote from James Baldwin and stated this is an opportunity to fix a broken foundation of systemic racism. Toppin highlighted the importance of courageous intent and looking from a different angle. Change can begin with a land acknowledgement.

Feldman stated she is a member of the diversity audit for the City of Beverly. At the time that the director of diversity, equity and inclusion position was approved it was very in step with the moment. Feldman stated she had hoped it was the beginning of something and not just a way to say they did something by creating a position. Feldman stated she is excited as a councilor to have something to act on and her personal feeling is that it is the right thing to do and does not impact the course of business or the work done for constituents; it is just stating the facts and paying honor to that. Feldman stated it is the same reason she co-sponsored the plaques for the Vietnam veterans; it is the right thing to do.

Bowen stated that she thinks this is an important practice and something that should be built into the regular, ongoing approach to meetings. Bowen said feedback she received since the committee meeting has been overwhelmingly positive. Even opening the conversation has made people feel more welcome.

St. Hilaire stated he believes DEI issues are a priority for Beverly and that he is excited for the conversations and work ahead and is looking forward to the results of the racial equity audit.

St. Hilaire agreed that he is not sure what a prolonged discussion would accomplish. This is not the end of DEI discussions within this body.

Houseman stated his notion of referring it back to Legal Affairs is that it gives an opportunity to start working on crafting some proposed language as a way of continuing the conversation. This would be more a procedural matter as a way of moving forward rather than a delay.

Rotondo stated he is not worried about the language right now but about changing the rules of order.

Rand withdrew the motion.

Houseman withdrew his second.

A motion to approve was made and seconded.

Flowers asked Rotondo to chair the meeting as Council Vice President in order to speak her opinion on the item.

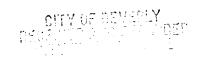
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A roll call vote was taken, and the motion failed since amending the Council Rules and Orders requires approval by a two-thirds vote (5-4; Bowen-Yes, Crowley-No, Feldman-Yes, Houseman-Yes, Rand-Yes, Rotondo-No, Sweeney-No, St. Hilaire-No, Flowers-Yes).

Flowers stated the next regular meeting will be February 22.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0). The meeting adjourned at 9:31pm.

Scott D. Houseman-Chair Julie R. Flowers Matthew J. St. Hilaire



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## FINANCE AND PROPERTY / CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Monday, February 7, 2022, 7:00PM
Within the Confines of the City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
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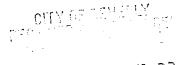
Houseman called to order the Finance and Property meeting at 8:05pm. Members present: Julie Flowers, Matthew St. Hilaire, Scott Houseman

Order Number	Date to Committee	Description	Action Taken
#024	1/18/2022	Councilor Houseman-Letter regarding the Financial Forecast Committee	Hold
#029	2/7/2022	Grant-A \$7,974.36 grant for Community Traffic Safety Projects Grant from the EOPSS and the OGR for the Beverly Fire Department to purchase child passenger safety seats.	Approve 3-0

The motion to adjourn the Finance and Property meeting was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (3-0). The meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Estelle M. Rand-Chair Todd C. Rotondo Brendan S. Sweeney

The meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.



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## LEGAL AFFAIRS / CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

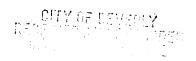
Monday, February 7, 2022, 7:00PM
Within the Confines of the City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Beverly City Hall, 191 Cabot St.

Rand called to order the Legal Affairs meeting at 8:06pm. Members present: Todd Rotondo, Brendan Sweeney, Estelle Rand

Order Number Date to Committee #023 1/18/2022		Description	Action Taken  1/31/22 - referred back to Council for discussion 3-0	
		Council President Flowers-Amendment of the Rules and Regulations, Rule 19 Order of Business		
#031	2/7/2022	Reappointment-to serve on the Parking and Traffic Commission, Mr. Jonathan Salt, Sgt Michael Henebury, Traffic Sargent designee BPD and Captain Ryan Laracy designee BFD	Hold	
#036	2/7/2022	Council President-Reappointment-City Clerk and Clerk of Council Lisa Kent	Approve 3-0	
#038	2/7/2022	City Clerk-Application for a new Class II Auto Dealership License for Alba Auto located at 449 Cabot Street. This business is located at the Cabot Fuels gas station location	Approve 3-0	
#039	2/7/2022	City Clerk-Application for a new Taxi/Livery license for Logistics Transportation Services, Inc. located at 8 Munroe Street	Approve 3-0	
#041	2/7/2022	City Clerk-Applications for Lodging House Renewals for 2022	Approve 3-0 with condition that all inspections are complete	
#046	2/7/2022	Declaration Regarding the Unique Qualities and Location of 14 and 34 Simon Street for Purposes of Acquisition Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B, Section 16(e)(2)	Approve 3-0	

8:16pm St. Hilaire and Flowers joined the meeting. Committee of the Whole called to order. The motion to adjourn the Legal Affairs meeting was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (3-0). The motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

Kathleen M. Feldman-Chair Hannah L. Bowen Steven M. Crowley



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### PUBLIC SERVICES / CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Tuesday, February 22, 2022, 7:00PM
Within the Confines of the City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Beverly City Hall, 191 Cabot St.

Feldman called the meeting to order at 8:20pm. Members present: Hannah Bowen, Steven Crowley, and Kathleen Feldman

Order Number	Pr Number Date to Committee Description		Action Taken	
#030	2/7/2022	Reappointment-to serve on the Beverly Golf and Tennis Commission, Mr. Martin Lawler, 109 Water Street	Held	
#033	2/7/2022	Councilor Rotondo and Councilor Crowley- Consideration request to hold a Public Service forum to address the flooding in Ward 1 and Ward 3	Held	
#035	2/7/2022	Councilors St. Hilaire, Feldman and Crowley-A request for four Veterans Plaques to be placed in different locations in the city. Two in ward six, one in ward five and one in ward three. These Veterans were killed in action in Vietnam	Approved 3-0	
#037	2/7/2022	Councilor Crowley-Request to hold a Public participation forum for a Public Service Committee Meeting regarding Varian Site at 150 Sohier Road	Held	
#044	2/7/2022	National Grid-A Petition for plan # 30452436 in accordance with the plan marked Bay View Way	Public hearing set for 2/22/2022 at 7:15pm	

8:08pm St. Hilaire and Houseman joined the meeting. Committee of the Whole called to order. The motion to adjourn was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (3-0). The motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.

Scott D. Houseman-Chair Julie R. Flowers Matthew J. St. Hilaire



# FINANCE AND PROPERTY / CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE Tuesday, February 22, 2022 7:00PM

Within the Confines of the City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Beverly City Hall
191 Cabot St.

Order Number	Date to Committee	Description	Action Taken
#024	1/18/2022	Councilor Houseman-Letter regarding the Financial Forecast Committee	
#032	2/7/2022	Transfer from the Airport Enterprise Fund balance of \$175,000 to fund continuation work with the testing and monitoring of property at the airport	Public Hearing set for 2/22/2022 at 7:25pm

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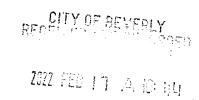
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#### LEGAL AFFAIRS / CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING Tuesday, February 22, 2022 7:00PM

Within the Confines of the City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
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Order Number	Date to Committee Description		Action Taken	
#031	2/7/2022	Reappointment-to serve on the Parking and Traffic Commission, Mr. Jonathan Salt, Sgt Michael Henebury, Traffic Sargent designee BPD and Captain Ryan Laracy designee BFD		

Kathleen M. Feldman-Chair Hannah L. Bowen Steven M. Crowley



# PUBLIC SERVICES / CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE Tuesday, February 22, 2022 7:00PM Within the Confines of the City Council Meeting City Council Chambers 3rd Floor, Beverly City Hall 191 Cabot St.

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February 17, 2022

The Honorable City Council City Hall Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Honorable City Council:

The City of Beverly was previously awarded three grants related to projects in and around Beverly's waterfront. The grants had received the proper approval by the City Council; however, the match components of these grants will require a transfer of funds from the City's Waterway Improvement Fund (WIF fund). I respectfully request the City Council approve a total transfer of \$70,920 from the WIF. This transfer consists of \$35,000 to support the CAD cell feasibility study grant, \$32,800 to support the hoist pier construction grant and \$3,120 to support the Glover Wharf float feasibility study grant.

I respectfully ask the City Council take action on this combined request by setting a public hearing at your upcoming meeting on Tuesday, February 22, 2022. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Michael P. Cahill

Mayor

cc:

Bryant Ayles, Director of Municipal Finance

Catherine Barrett, Director of Grants
Paul Earl, Harbor Management Authority



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Dear Honorable City Council:

I respectfully request a transfer of \$642,085 from the city's certified free cash balance into capital fund 598 and to rescind the previously authorized loan order (Council Order #044 - 2021) which was for the replacement of the turf field located on the High School campus. The work was completed this past year and as originally planned, I am requesting the use of free cash to pay the costs of this project rather than borrowing funds to do so. You will recall that the loan authorization for \$750,000 was requested to expedite the replacement within the summer months in an effort to minimize the disruption of High School athletic use and the plan as outlined was to utilize the FY22 available free cash to pay the costs.

This free cash transfer request requires that a public hearing be set prior to a final council vote. Please initiate action at your next City Council meeting by scheduling a public hearing.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Honorable City Council:

I respectfully request a transfer of \$1,111,519 from the city's certified free cash balance to be placed into the City's stabilization fund. This requested amount represents 10% of the certified free cash balance and is consistent with the City's stabilization fund policy. Secondly, I request a transfer of \$224,304, representing 2% of the City's certified free cash balance, from the free cash balance to be placed into the City's OPEB trust. This request is also constant with city policies.

Continued investment in these areas is crucial to the City's long term financial health and I ask the City Council approves these transfer requests totaling \$1,335,823.

This free cash transfer request requires that a public hearing be set prior to a final council vote. Please initiate action at your next City Council meeting by scheduling a public hearing.

Sincerely yours,

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The Honorable City Council City Hall Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Honorable City Council:

I respectfully ask that you approve a transfer of the city's free cash balance in the amount of \$1,500,000 to be placed into the City Hall Rehabilitation capital project fund. This initial investment will allow the project feasibility study and needs assessment to begin. The first steps of the project will be to contract with an Owner's Project Manager and shortly thereafter to solicit proposals and contract with a design team to begin the process. Based on previous capital projects, this initial amount should get us well into the schematic design phase which once completed, will help us better estimate the total project scope, costs and timeframe. At that point, we will request additional funding to move forward with the project.

This project has been outlined in our Capital Plan for quite some time, and with school related debt being retired over the next few fiscal years, the city's annual budget will be able to absorb the anticipated debt service associated with this project. This request will require a public hearing be set prior to final action by the City Council.

Sincerely yours,

Michael P. Cahill



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The Honorable City Council City Hall Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Honorable City Council:

I hereby reappoint, subject to your review and recommendation, Mr. Michael Murphy, 43 Fairview Avenue to serve as the City Republican Committee's representative on the Registrars of Voters.

His term is to be effective from March 31, 2022 until March 31, 2025.

Sincerely yours,

Michael P. Cahill



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The Honorable City Council City Hall Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Honorable City Council:

Attached for your review and approval is the proposed 2022 Member Rate Schedule for the Beverly Golf and Tennis Club submitted by Golf Facilities Management, Inc. and recommended by the Beverly Golf and Tennis Commission.

There are no changes to the rules and Member Permit Fees that were in place for 2022.

The golf cart fee for 18 holes has increased by \$2.00 to \$20.00 as indicated in the attached document from Golf Facilities Management, Inc. (GFMI).

The 2022 rates have been reviewed and accepted by the Commission on February 16, 2022.

Sincerely yours,

Michael P. Cahill

Mayor

Attachments

# Beverly Golf & Tennis Club

134 McKay Street Beverly, MA 01915 TEL. # (978) 922-9072

February 17, 2022

Mayor Michael Cahill City of Beverly 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Mayor Cahill,

In accordance with the City Ordinance and Section 7.08 Beverly Golf and Tennis Club Commission (b) Authorities and Responsibilities, (i) "All rules and regulations and the fees schedules adopted, shall be subject to the approval of the Mayor and City Council", the attached 2022 rates submitted by Golf Facilities Management Inc. (GFMI) are forwarded to you for approval.

There are no changes to the rules, member permit fees, and green fees for 2022. The golf cart fee for 18 holes is increased by \$2.00 to \$20.00 as indicated in the attached document from Golf Facilities Management Inc. (GFMI).

The 2022 rates have been reviewed and voted on by the Commission on February 16, 2022, to accept for 2022.

Regards,

William Lowd, Chairman Beverly Golf and Tennis Club Commission 978-922-4728

CC: D. Gelineau, Purchasing Agent S. Williams, City Solicitor

Attachments: 2022 Rates Chart February 8, 2022 GFMI Letter to BG&T Golf Commission CITY OF ENGLANDS

	Bev	Beverly Resident		Non-Resident	
WEEKDAY RATES					
9 HOLES		\$24.00		\$27.00	
18 HOLES		\$41.00		\$44.00	
SENIOR (62 yrs. & Up) JUNIOR (17 & Under)	(9)	\$19.00		\$22.00	
Monday – Thursday before 1PM	(18)	\$35.00		\$38.00	
WEEKEND RATES					
9 HOLES		\$27.00		\$30.00	
18 HOLES		\$46.00		\$49.00	
Before 10AM					
9 HOLES		\$27.00		\$30.00	
18 HOLES		\$56.00		\$59.00	
Junior (17 & Under) After 4PM		\$19.00			
CART RATES	(9)	\$10.00 per.	(18)	\$20.00 per.	
PUSH CARTS	(9)	\$6.00	(18)	\$9.00	
RENTAL CLUBS	(9)	\$20.00	(18)	\$40.00	
(Credit card required until clubs are returne	<u>d</u> )	ı			
RANGE BALLS	\$6	.00 (Purchase range	<u>e tokens ir</u>	the Pro Shop)	

Late File



# CITY of BEVERLY OFFICE of THE MAYOR

191 Cabot Street Beverly, Massachusetts 01915 Phone (978) 921-6000 Fax (978) 922-0285

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Executive Secretary
Martha A. Lewis

February 18, 2022

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The Honorable City Council City Hall Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Honorable City Council:

As you are aware, the City recently submitted a successful bid to purchase two real estate parcels located on Simon St that are currently owned by the Beverly Housing Authority. It is the City's intent to purchase and improve these lots and maintain them as open space for the neighborhood. The purchase price of the two parcels combined is \$400,000 and the City anticipates incurring an additional \$125,000 in costs to survey and improve upon the lots. On Thursday February 17<sup>th</sup>, the Community Preservation Committee recommended an award of \$200,000 for this purchase. I am requesting that \$325,000 of the City's Free Cash balance be transferred for the remainder of the purchase price as well as the costs of improvements to the lots.

This free cash transfer request requires that a public hearing be set prior to a final council vote. Please initiate action at your next City Council meeting by scheduling a public hearing.

Sincerely yours,

Michael P. Cahill

Mayor

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

The Honorable Beverly City Council

From:

Gerard D. Perry, Budget/Management Analyst

Subject:

South Essex Sewerage District (SESD) FY21 Annual Treasurer's Report

Date:

February 6, 2022

This memorandum is forwarded for your consideration and review regarding the FY21 Annual Treasurer's Report for the SESD. This report, prepared by SESD Treasurer Karen A. Herrick, summarizes the financial activities of the District for FY21 as well as audited statements from the firm Powers & Sullivan, LLC. A copy of this report was submitted to me by Commissioner Michael Collins, the Board representative for the City of Beverly.

The SESD was established in 1925 to build, maintain and operate the sewerage system for approximately 180,000 people and businesses in Beverly, Danvers, Marblehead, Peabody, Salem, as well as portions of both Middleton and Wenham. Beverly Commissioner Michael P. Collins serves as Beverly's Board representative. The SESD adheres to the legal components of Proposition 2 ½.

Powers & Sullivan has opined that "the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the South Essex Sewerage District, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year." This means that in the opinion of the auditor, all the information meets appropriate standards for accuracy and compliance.

# Important highlights include:

- Total operating expenditures of \$26,046,037
- Assessments to district members of \$25,758,076
- Beverly funded \$4,680,034 in revenue proceeds to SESD, which accounts for 18.16% of total revenue
- Beverly requested and received \$400,000 on or about 4/22/21 from the SESD unreserved fund balance
- Beverly's unreserved fund balance as of 6/30/21 was reported at \$1,071,640
- A stabilization fund balance of \$2.0M, consistent with Chapter 45 of the Acts of 1995
- A pension liability of \$7,174,505 for its proportionate share within the City of Salem Retirement System
- The pension investment rate of return, or discount rate assumption was 7.15%
- Their Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability was \$14.8M. SESD utilizes pay as you go

- The net financial position at the beginning of the fiscal year was \$177,040,901, with the net financial position at the end of the fiscal year at \$175,758,629
- The undesignated fund balance was reported at (\$3,039,518), which includes capital assets. This
  is a decrease of \$1.3M from the prior year. This is attributable to the recognition of the net
  position liability and the total OPEB liability as required by GASB #75 reporting requirements.
  Another component of this decrease involved a one-time energy incentive revenue received in
  FY20
- Beverly's capital fund apportionment is 20.88%, or a \$1,404,782 liability
- SESD has a bond rating of Aa2, similar to prior years

In December, 2019, the SESD Board voted to establish an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) funding mechanism. Massachusetts General Law Chapter 32B, Section 20 enables a governmental entity to establish an irrevocable trust fund for an OPEB trust fund. According to Powers & Sullivan, the irrevocable trust fund has yet to be established as of June 30, 2021. Any contributions to an irrevocable trust fund offsets the OPEB liability, thus reducing the overall liability. Establishing this type of trust fund serves the best financial interests of SESD. Please be advised that I have had discussions with Commissioner Collins regarding this matter. He has been advocating to his SESD Board colleagues to establish the appropriate trust fund.

I want to thank Commissioner Collins for working with me providing the SESD financials, and for his continued efforts addressing the OPEB trust fund issue with the SESD Board. In closing, if you have any questions regarding this memorandum, feel free to contact me at your convenience.

cc: The Honorable Michael P. Cahill, Mayor Bryant Ayles, Finance Director Lisa Kent, City Clerk Michael P. Collins, Commissioner



# City of Beverly

**MASSACHUSETTS** 

POLICE DEPARTMENT



February 14, 2022

Honorable City Council City Clerk's Office City Hall Beverly, Ma 01915 2002 FEB | U | P | 2: 2:

City Ordinance § 270-49 - Amendment to Include Handicapped Parking Space

Dear Council Members,

This request is to amend the current city ordinance 270-49 by adding a "Handicapped Parking Sign and space" at Lyons Park in the vicinity of 126 Lothrop Street. The space would be on the eastern side of Lothrop Street adjacent to the playground structure. I have not observed any issues that would result in a conflict to public safety or traffic. I would support the placement of a Handicap Parking Sign in this location and respectfully ask the council to make the amendment to the current ordinance.

Lothrop Street - East Side - Across from #126 Lothrop

Very respectfully,

Sergeant Michae R Henebury Beverly Police Department Traffic Division Supervisor



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February 15, 2022

Dear Honorable City Council,

I hereby submit for your consideration an Amendment to Chapter 270, Section 270-37A "Bicycle lanes shall be created in the following locations." This Amendment adds a bicycle lane on Elliott Street from Echo Avenue to the Town of Danvers in both directions. Additionally, the Amendment clarifies the direction of existing bicycle lanes and corrects a scrivener's error in the spelling of Sohier Road.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Todd Rotondo

**Councilor Ward One** 

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In the year two thousand and twenty-two

## Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Beverly as follows:

Chapter 270, § 270-37A "Bicycle lanes shall be created in the following locations" is amended as follows:

- (1) Adding a Location of "From Echo Avenue to Town of Danvers" on "Elliott Street";
- (2) Inserting a column titled "Direction" and therein clearly identifying the direction of travel for each identified bicycle lane;
- (3) Amending the Hale Street Location description to read "From Dane Street to Monument Square"; and
- (4) Replacing "Sohier" wherever "Sohler" appears.

The revised section shall read as follows:

## § 270-37 Bicycle Lanes [Added 7-7-2015 by Ord. No. 390]

A. Bicycle lanes shall be created in the following locations: [Amended 11-6-2017 by Ord. No. 482A]

Name of Street Brimbal Avenue	Location From Walnut Avenue to Route 128 Ramp (before overpass)	<b>Direction</b> Both
Brimbal Avenue	From 128 Overpass to Colon Street	Both (Note: Northbound is partially a protected Shared Path from Broughton Drive)
Budleigh Avenue	Entire Length	Both
Cabot Street	From State DOT marker (499 Cabot Street) to Lenox Street	Both
Dodge Street	From Whitaker Way to the Town of Wenham	Both
Elliott Street	From Cabot Street to Rantoul Street	Both
Elliott Street	From Echo Avenue to Town of Danvers	Both
Essex Street	Evelyn Road to Route 128	Both
Hale Street	From Monument Square to Dane Street to Monument Square	Westbound only
Hale Street	From Lothrop Street to Boyles Street	Both
Old Essex Road	Southbound within 200 feet of Essex Street	Southbound only
Sohler Sohier Road	From Bomac Road to Tozer Road	Both sides
Tozer Road	From Sohler Sohler Road to 55 Tozer Road	Both

- B. A bicycle lane shall be defined as a portion of the roadway that has been designated by striping, signing, and pavement markings for the preferential and exclusive use of bicyclists.
- C. Bicyclists, wherever practical, shall remain in a designated bicycle lane. All other traffic shall refrain from using designated bicycle lanes.



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JULIE R. FLOWERS,

HANNAH L. BOWEN

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

BRENDAN S. SWEENEY

Honorable City Council Beverly City Hall City Council Chambers 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

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#### Dear Honorable Council:

I hereby appoint, subject to your review and recommendations, Ms. Danielle Spang, 16 Mulberry St, to serve on the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) in one of the At-Large seats on that body. Ms. Spang would be filling a vacancy of an unexpired term.

Her term would be effective until October 8, 2024.

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Included with this letter are Ms. Spang's letter expressing her interest in this position, and a copy of her resume.

Very truly yours,

Julie R. Flowers

City Council President

Danielle M. Spang, Esq. 16 Mulberry Street Beverly, MA 01915 spang.danielle@gmail.com 207-590-0677

February 1, 2022

Via Electronic Mail
Honorable City Council
c/o Ms. Lisa Kent, Beverly City Clerk
City of Beverly
191 Cabot Street
Beverly, MA 01915

Re: Interest in joining Beverly's Community Preservation Committee

Dear City Council:

I moved to Beverly with my young family in February 2017. We chose this community in part for its affordability and ease of commute into Boston for my husband worked in the city at that time. We have since fallen in love with Beverly – its beaches and waterfront, vibrant community, rich history, and commitments to sustainability, the arts, open spaces and affordable housing, as well as its supportive schools and playgrounds for our children. In short, we are committed to raising our family in Beverly, and now that our children are growing older I have time to volunteer to help the City. The Community Preservation Committee's focus on historic resources, open space, recreation, and community (affordable) housing, are also largely the parts we feel help make Beverly such a special place to live.

I would first mention that I believe candidates who share my enthusiasm and who can represent more diverse population(s) of the City should take preference over me for this position. My education and career as a consumer attorney involved a lot of reading, writing, and research and I am prepared to invest multiple hours monthly as needed to assist in researching any policy questions and related research as needed. While I have not served on municipal committees or boards previously, I am active in the community through the Ward 2 Civic Association, and follow the City's community meetings on community initiatives.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my interest in the opening on the Community Preservation Committee.

Very truly yours,

DANIELLE M. SPANG

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cc: Denise Deschamps (w/encls.)

# Danielle M. Spang, Esq.

16 Mulberry Street Beverly, MA 01915

Email: spang.danielle@gmail.com

Education

2008-2012 Temple University: Beasley School of Law (Philadelphia, PA)

J.D., Magna Cum Laude

2000-2004 Muhlenberg College (Allentown, PA) **B.A. – Philosophy with Honors**, Magna Cum Laude

Awards

Denis Maguire Award from Volunteer Lawyers Project (2016)

Best Paper: Constitutional Law, Federal Courts

Noel R. and Edith Moyer Award in Philosophy (2004)

**Experience** 

Feb. 2014-Feb. 2017 Law Office of Danielle Spang (Cambridge, MA)

**Attorney** 

Consumer protection sole practitioner, assisting clients who were harassed by collection agencies or had errors on their credit reports, and other general consumer matters. I also served as local counsel for federal cases filed in Massachusetts and Maine by Francis & Mailman, P.C. during this time.

Jun. 2013-Feb. 2014 Culik Law, P.C. (Woburn, MA)

**Associate Attorney** 

Worked for consumer law firm, defending foreclosures and debt litigation.

Dec. 2012-Jun. 2013 Law Office of Danielle Spang (Somerville, MA)

**Attorney** 

Assisted clients who were harassed by collection agencies or had errors on their credit reports, and other general consumer matters.

Aug. 2012-Dec. 2012 Moschella & Winston, LLP (Somerville, MA)

Secretary (temporary)

Worked for an elder law firm while waiting for bar results, covering their secretary's maternity leave.

Dec. 2004-May 2012 Francis & Mailman, P.C. (Philadelphia, PA)

Senior Paralegal, Litigation Paralegal

Worked full-time at a small consumer rights firm while attending law school.

Jun. 1997-Aug. 2004 City of Kennebunkport (Kennebunkport, ME) \*Summers Assistant Dispatcher / Part-time Dispatcher

Worked full-time during the summers of high school and college at my local police department – typing up reports, entering parking tickets into database, updating computer systems. At 18, went to the police academy to be a certified dispatcher and covered shifts when full-time dispatchers were out.



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February 16, 2022

The Honorable City Council Beverly City Hall 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915 Sign of the State of the Action of the Actio

#### Dear Honorable City Council:

On June 28, 2021, the Council's Subcommittees on Public Services and Legal Affairs held a joint public meeting to discuss rodent infestation downtown and in other neighborhoods of the city. At the meeting, residents described the increase in rodent populations in residential areas and the need for coordinated action between the City, residents, property owners, and business owners/operators. Since that time, neighbors and city offices have continued to explore integrated pest management strategies and mitigation measures, while reporting that the rodent infestation continues to present a threat to public health.

Residents have recently organized informal meetings with city officials to determine a future plan of action. We welcome this collaboration. At this time, we are requesting that the Council hold a public meeting to discuss progress on rodent control since June 2021 as well as future strategies that the City may consider, including an ordinance related to rodent control and/or forming a working group on rodent control.

At a public meeting on this topic, we propose that the Council invite updates from the Office of the Mayor and relevant City Departments, including the Departments of Health and Public Services, on recent progress and future plans around Integrated Pest Management. Topics of interest to the neighbors include management of rodent reporting, oversight of rodent mitigation associated with building construction and roadwork projects, public awareness/education campaigns, rodent control associated with trash/recycling collection, and how rodent control will be considered in upcoming budget planning.

Thank you for considering a discussion on this matter.

Sincerely, Sincerely,

Hannah Bowen Councilor at Large Scott Houseman City Councilor Ward 4



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# Office of the City Clerk

191 Cabot Street, Beverly, Massachusetts 01915

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Lisa E. Kent, CMC City Clerk T: 978-605-2325 E: lkent@beverlyma.gov Christine Dixon
Assistant City Clerk
T: 978-605-2326
E: cdixon@beverlyma.gov

February 16, 2022

Honorable City Council 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

#### Dear City Councilors:

Enclosed is a new application for a Lodging House License. This is for a new owner, Jalbert Properties, LLC, for Highland Manor at 7 Highland Avenue.

City Council approval is needed to complete the process for licensing. No license shall be issued until we have all the necessary paperwork required for licensing, including the approval of the Building Inspector, Electrical Inspector, Health Inspector, and the Fire Department.

Thank you for your assistance concerning this matter.

Respectfully,

Lisa Kent City Clerk

Form 546

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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# CITY OF BEVERLY

The Licenses applied for, if Granted, cannot be Sold, Transferred or Surrendered without the authority of the Board granting it. (Beverly City Council)

# APPLICATION FOR A LODGING HOUSE LICENSE

Date:
Names of persons applying for License:
Name: Jesse Jalbert
Company: Jalhert Properties, LCC
Address: 2 Marsia st #182 Salam MA 01970
Signature:
Name of Lodging House: Him (and Manou
Address of Lodging House: 7 High land Ave
Number of Floors: Number of Rooms to be occupied:
Number of Lodgers:
Name of owner of premises: Jallert Properties (LCC
Address of owner of premises: Z Mavg, u st # 182 Solom M# 01970
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February 16, 2022

The Honorable City Council Beverly City Hall 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Honorable City Council:

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The Subcommittee on Finance and Property will be scheduled to meet on Monday, February 28 to discuss budget priorities City Councilors may have. The Mayor will be holding small group meetings in early March with City Councilors to discuss the administration's budget priorities, among other topics. If February 28 is not feasible, I will work to set an alternate date.

The subcommittee meeting will be an opportunity for the Council to share and discuss possible Council budget initiatives. The Council cannot appropriate any expenditure; it can only cut a proposed line item. If it votes to cut a line item, it has no authority to direct the Mayor to apply the amount of a reduced line item to any particular alternative. In addition, the Open Meeting Law makes it difficult for the Council to organize itself to speak with a single voice, if it has one, concerning a priority that may not be on the radar of or shared by the administration. Posted public meetings, that are early in the budget building process, are effectively the only way to create shared advocacy.

If you have an interest in a particular matter that requires an expenditure, this will be an opportunity to bring it to the attention of the full Council while the budget is still being built. For example, I will be looking for funding for an Integrated Pest Management Program, a Public Art Program, Central Cemetery fence repair, and to improve with software or otherwise the city's means of communicating with greater clarity and transparency its city finances and budget. I look forward to hearing about your priorities.

Regards,

Scott Houseman

City Councilor Ward 4



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Dear Honorable City Council:

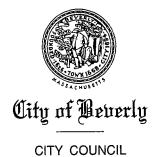


I am writing to provide some information about the city's Accessory Dwelling Unit working group. After a solid starting last fall, with the work being lead by a MAPC staff member and Darlene Wynn, our work stalled a bit due to the staff member's departure to Boston's Mayor Wu's staff. A community meeting is presently planned for some time mid-March, date to be determined. The change in MAPC staff has affected the grant funding for the work, as the grant has a June deadline for presenting a draft ordinance to the Council. MAPC is working to provide deadline flexibility by providing some of its own funding, which may result in the draft being presented in the fall.

In the meantime, if you what to learn more about ADU's or have various occasions to discuss them, the Planning Department can provide you with hyperlinks to a short graphical overview of what ADU's are and how they function in concept and to the working group's website.

Regards,

City Councilor Ward 4



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February 16, 2022

The Honorable City Council Beverly City Hall 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Honorable City Council:

Filed with this letter to you are various documents concerning the National Grid Cable
Transmission Project. This construction project will run through the full length of Wards Two
and Four over a two year or more period. Some of these documents were filed or presented to
the Council in its previous term. Other documents are new or were presented orally in public
meetings. They are provided and listed below for your review. This is not a complete list of
relevant documents.

When National Grid files a request to open our city streets, the Council will have the opportunity to vote to grant, refuse, or delay action on that request. The city has hired and waits for (final) reports from two independent experts to advise the Council and the Mayor on technical considerations concerning the proposed construction route and public health concerns related to electromagnetic force. It is my information that the city has hired, or will hire, independent legal counsel as well in anticipation of possible legal action between the city and National Grid.

This matter has a history stretching back several years, starting before, perhaps, more than half the current Council was in office. And likely before many of our constituents even lived along the streets where this proposed project would be constructed.

- Letter dated October 21, 2021, formerly Order #193 from Councilors Flowers, Houseman, and Rand;
- Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Beverly and National Grid, dated March 26, 2019;
- Consulting Agreement dated October 15, 2021 between the City of Beverly and Lester regarding electromagnetic assessment;
- Health effects of electromagnetic fields on children, May 7, 2020, Jin-Hwa Moon, MD,
   PhD, Department of Pediatrics, Hanyang University School of Medicine, Seoul, Korea
- Comments of Councilor Houseman at Joint Meeting on November 15, 2021;
- Comments of Councilor Flowers at Joint Meeting on November 15, 2021;

- Pages 30-32 from D.P.U. 13-86 Petition of NSTAR regarding noise impacts and mitigation measures; and
- Selected pages for traffic mitigation plans at Central Fire Station, dated October 14, 2021 from Keegan Werlin, LLP, attorneys for Nation Grid, to Energy Facilities Siting Board.

I have included the last two attachments as "bookmarks" items for the Council to learn more how, if the project does move forward, the city can take steps to help residents with noise mitigation for those working from home and assuring public safety measures for when fire personnel responses would be affected by construction, especially next to Central Fire Station. The EMF study is a new document and will be provided for review to the Mr. Lester.

Regards,

Scott Houseman

City Councilor Ward 4

The Honorable City Council
The City of Beverly
151 Cabot Street
Beverly, MA 01915

Re: National Grid Electric Cable Infrastructure

#### Dear Honorable City Council:

We are writing the Council to bring to your attention a matter of concern to us and many of our constituents related to public health and construction mitigation issues. The process to inform the public and the Council about these two factors, both related to National Grid's installation of a 115v cable in densely populated residential sections of Beverly, has been defective.

We believe that it is imperative that the full Council brought into this conversation at this time, which is why we are filing a public letter to allow for discussion among us all. We have been working on this issue since the start of October, following communication from our constituents. But the issues require more. There has been a lack of robust public engagement process from National Grid, and National Grid has failed to keep the Council in its current iteration apprised of this process since their initial presentation to us in 2018. We note that in 2018 the Council was made up of several different members than the current Council.

We believe that the responsibility and authority for addressing these two factors lies with Mayor Cahill. The Council's role, with one exception discussed below, is limited to review and oversight, but that role has been compromised by a lack of communication. While technical requirements may have been complied with, there has not been effective and sufficient communication from the Mayor's office and National Grid to allow us to effectively perform in our role.

As proposed, this construction project will run the full length of both Ward 2 and Ward 4. The cable will run up Broadway, along Hale Street by a cemetery and Central Fire Station, continuing to and along the entire length of Lothrop Street and Cross Street to a substation not far from the Stanley Street Composting Center.

The 115v cable is not a standard street electric line like the kind that connects to a dwelling. The cable is, and carries, the same voltage that runs on the overhead steel towers running across the state and from state to state. Constituents have questions about possible public health impacts of such a cable. The project is called a "replacement" project, but the cable being replaced now runs along a right of way next to MBTA railroad tracks, not close by dwellings on our city streets. Constituents have questions about why city neighborhoods, not the MBTA, should assume the impact of this replacement project. And whether, if the project does run through our city streets, sufficient terms for mitigation from National Grid been insisted upon.

At least three specific process defects are notable. Despite the fact that the National Grid-appointed representative met, and exchanged contact information with, City Councilors in 2018 when the Council first heard about this project, and promised to keep us informed with pertinent information, at least two formal hearings legally required for the permitting of this project were held without notice, at least, to the Councilors of Wards 2 and 4.

In addition, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was signed by Mayor Cahill on March 26, 2020 (copy attached), after multiple negotiations with his office and other city staff. Councilors were not aware of this process or this document. We received a copy by asking the mayor for it on October 7, 2021. City Councilors were obviously unable to consider or contribute to the terms of this agreement. Notable among its terms is a provision for the city to hire an independent expert on Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF) public health issues "to help allay concerns". No expert was hired until this week (on October 18, 2021), nineteen months after the MOA was signed, on the eve of construction starting, and after Grid has already obtained state permits to proceed. Our constituents do not want their concerns "allayed". That term contains a bias that any concerns they may have are misplaced from the start, and simply need to be dispelled. Where their concerns about the health and safety of their families are concerned, constituents are entitled to a comprehensive inquiry and report from an expert hired to provide an objective analysis. And they are entitled to a reasonable public process that ensures effective communication and dialogue on the topic.

The exception to the limited authority of the City Council, referenced above, is one decision-making role. We are informed by the City Solicitor's office (as stated to us by the mayor) that, if the MBTA right of way is not used for the cable replacement, National Grid will need to seek from the City Council a permit to open and use our public ways for the cable installation. This role is referred to, by cited city ordinances, in the MOA. As a result, it is incumbent upon us to sufficiently learn and understand the large body of information available on this project.

In response to our requests and those of concerned citizens, Mayor Cahill met last week at an impromptu meeting at the Senior Center, on Tuesday, October 12, attended by more than 50 people. We also met with him yesterday and he is meeting with a steering group of concerned citizens today. He has committed to us that he will continue to be responsive in addressing and, if possible, mitigating the defects in communication that have already occurred.

It is important to state that we are on record, as is the Council, as supporting ambitious clean energy goals, including the creation of a modern and resilient electrical grid. Proactive efforts by the Council to satisfy the reasonable concerns and questions of our constituents need not, and should not, be in conflict with those goals. However, it also incumbent upon us as City Councilors to insist that a sufficient public information process be in place and is followed in realizing those climate action goals.

We are looking forward to Mayor Cahill working with the Council on this process so that going forward we can fulfill our oversight role, and the Council and the public can be assured of making informed decisions going forward about the Grid project.

Flowers			
Rand		 	
Houseman	 		

#### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 26 day of March, 2020 between the City of Beverly, Massachusetts (hereinaster referred to as "Beverly" or the "City"), acting through its Mayor Michael Cahill, and New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid (hereinaster referred to as "NEP"), acting through Brian Gemmell, Vice President Transmission Asset Management, Authorized Representative.

WHEREAS, NEP is proposing to relocate its existing 115kV N-192 electric transmission cable within a new duct bank and manhole system located beneath Beverly city streets between the Veteran's Memorial Bridge and the East Beverly #51 Substation and to remove the existing transmission cable (the "Project");

WHEREAS, on or about April 2021, NEP is planning to commence work on the Project, subject to having received all necessary rights, permits, and approvals, such work to include without limitation the installation of duct banks, manholes, and the cables; and

WHEREAS, both Beverly and NEP have been discussing the mitigation of impacts from construction of the Project within Beverly's streets;

NOW, THEREFORE, for mutual consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Beverly and NEP hereby agree as follows:

#### 1) Consulting Engineer:

- a) To ensure the Project does not adversely affect City infrastructure and planned construction projects along the construction route, Beverly intends to hire an engineering consultant to oversee construction of the Project as more specifically set forth below. Since this is an expense that Beverly would not have incurred but for the Project and is intended to minimize impacts to City infrastructure, NEP agrees to pay the City of Beverly's reasonable expenses for engineering consultants for work directly related to the Project. Such expenses paid by NEP shall not exceed \$200,000. Both parties agree that the engineering consultant for Beverly needs to be on site during many activities, including, but not limited to: excavation, cable and manhole installation, and backfilling ("civil construction"). The parties further agree that the consulting engineer shall be the City's principal point of contact for the Company and shall be available and authorized at all times to respond to the Company's questions and to resolve any construction-related issues.
- b) The estimate of \$200,000 is based on NEP's estimated production rate of their contractor. If the total time for civil construction extends beyond eighteen (18) months and/or the duration of specific civil construction task extend beyond what has been estimated by the City and NEP engineers, the not-to-exceed amount to be paid by NEP shall be reviewed for adequacy and modified accordingly. The resident engineer shall be hired and paid directly by the City. The City shall submit the invoices received from the engineer to NEP for reimbursement and NEP shall reimburse the City within 60 days of receipt of any invoice. The consulting engineer will observe construction activities but will not have the

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authority to direct National Grid contractors. No monies paid for under this provision may be used to oppose the Project in any public or private settings or discussions.

#### 2) Stakeholder Relations:

- a) NEP's Stakeholder Relations Representative and other specific representatives of NEP shall be available to meet with and respond to questions from City officials, business leaders and residents during and prior to construction regarding specific concerns such as traffic, safety, relocating bus stops and on-street parking and environmental issues. The Stakeholder Relations Representative shall meet with and provide the City with two-week look ahead reports describing the construction activities planned for the upcoming two weeks. The Stakeholder Relations Representative will make all efforts to speak with all business and all commercial property owners abutting the route in person one week prior to any work taking place. The Stakeholder Relations Representative will also make periodic stops to businesses while construction is taking place.
- b) NEP will continue to maintain its Project website throughout the duration of the Project. The website address shall be listed on any material sent to residents and on all Project signage. The City shall provide a link on its website to the Project website and shall have meaningful input into the site's content. In addition to the English language content, the Project website shall include a brief description of the Project in Spanish and Portuguese and direct Spanish and Portuguese speaking individuals to NEP's Stakeholder Relations Representative if they need further translation of the information appearing only in English.
- c) NEP shall publicize and maintain a hotline phone number and process for reporting emergencies after business hours.

#### 3) General Coordination and Cooperation:

- a) As soon as NEP is reasonably certain of the start and end dates of Project construction it shall provide those dates to the City. The City DPW shall coordinate the collection of schedules from other City departments for that construction period and provide same to NEP. Those schedules will be included as part of the construction specification for incorporation by NEP's contractor in the construction schedule to the extent practicable. NEP agrees to work with the Mayor of Beverly and his designee(s) to make any final adjustments to the contractor's construction schedule. The City recognizes that the construction schedule may require revisions during the Project's lifecycle. Project milestones, updated as necessary, shall be posted on the Project website.
- b) The City understands that time is of the essence and agrees, to the extent that it is able, to expedite the granting of all local permits licenses and approvals that maybe required for NEP to proceed with the Project. To further that purpose, the City agrees to not oppose NEP's petition to the Energy Facilities Siting Board for: (a) approval of the Project under

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G.L. c. 164, §§ 69J and 72; and (b) individual and comprehensive exemptions from the City of Beverly Zoning Ordinance pursuant to G.L. c. 40A, § 3.

- c) NEP will provide the City with NEP's construction bid documents (specifications and plans) and the date on which it intends to issue its RFP for a construction contractor. The City agrees to provide its construction requirements to NEP in sufficient time for incorporation into the Project construction specifications as appropriate.
- d) During manhole and duct bank construction, as well as cable installation and removal, NEP shall have a construction supervisor assigned full time to the Project and available to respond to any questions and/or concerns. NEP's construction specifications will require that the contractor provide a Project Manager who will, among other responsibilities, maintain a permanent presence at the Project site for the duration of the Project and act as the contractor's point of contact with individuals and groups, as well as the City of Beverly and all its departments; representatives of local neighborhood groups; and representatives of local businesses. The Project Manager shall be responsive to City officials 24 hours a day/seven days a week and to residents and businesses during hours of construction.
- e) Upon completion of the Project, NEP shall provide Beverly with copies of as-built plans and all engineering and survey information produced by and for NEP relating to the installation of the Project within public and private ways of the City of Beverly.

#### 4) Surveys and Damage:

- a) NEP shall work with City officials to ensure that residents and businesses along the construction route have the opportunity to participate in pre-construction photo/video surveys to document the pre-construction condition of residences and businesses along the construction route. Residents and businesses shall be entitled to receive a copy of the survey taken from their property upon written request. Prior to construction, NEP shall mail a letter to all abutters (including property owner and tenant) of the approved construction route explaining the survey process.
- b) NEP shall require its contractor to have a detailed process to handle claims of damage to persons, vehicles or property to Beverly residents, visitors, business owners or the City itself as a result of Project construction activities. This process shall be in place prior to the start of construction. Information on how to submit claims to the Contractor will be included as part of the Project website. To ensure that the Contractor is being responsive, NEP agrees that its contract with the selected contractor for the Project shall require the contractor to provide notice of damage claims weekly to the Stakeholder Relations Representative. This Representative shall provide the City Engineer a weekly list of the number of claims made, the date they were made and whether the claims have been resolved. The Parties understand that such damage claims constitute private matters between the claimant and Contractor and that neither the contractor nor NEP may disclose private information to the City. NEP's agreement to acquire claims processing information

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and provide it to the City is not an agreement or acceptance by NEP to be responsible for compensating for claims resulting from the negligence, gross negligence, reckless misconduct or intentional acts of the Contractor.

c) NEP agrees to minimize and mitigate potential impact to City streets by requiring its contractor to use rubber tires, rather than metal tracks, on heavy equipment operating within the public way. NEP further agrees to repair any asphalt or sidewalks that are damaged as a result of Project construction vehicles and activities. NEP in its discretion may perform pre-construction photo/video surveys to document the pre-construction condition of the public streets and ways along the Project route that is approved by the Energy Facilities Siting Board as well as any side streets designated as detours during construction.

#### 5) Traffic Management Plan:

- a) NEP shall identify streets to be temporarily closed due to manhole installation and include such in a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) that NEP shall develop in consultation with Beverly public safety officials. In addition, NEP shall require the anticipated timing of closures be carried out by the contractor and the amount of notice required written into the TMP. Whenever possible, NEP shall post road closures on the Project website no less than 48 hours in advance of any such detours or transportation limitations. NEP shall make every effort to avoid the need for detours when possible.
- b) The TMP shall be approved by the City Engineer and Police Chief and in consultation with the Fire Chief prior to the issuance of any street opening permit. Information on road or land closing and detour shall be posted on the website in a timely manner.
- c) NEP shall require its cable contractor or sub-contractors to post "no parking" signs, approved by the City Engineer, at least 48 hours in advance of where construction is planned. Signs will list days and times of "No Parking" in large and legible font. In the event that a vehicle is parked in the work zone, NEP shall make reasonable efforts to identify and acquire nearby locations where vehicles could be moved for easy retrieval and at no cost to the owners. Signs will be immediately removed at the conclusion of work in a given area.
- d) As part of the TMP, NEP shall require the construction contractor to rent two additional mobile electronic traffic message sign boards to be deployed in coordination with the City DPW. NEP shall incorporate the City's specific sign requirements and material into contract documents. NEP will have available two additional mobile electronic traffic message boards, above and beyond what is required in the TMP to be deployed at any time by NEP at the request and sole discretion of the City.
- e) NEP shall make every effort to ensure the businesses along the route have customer access during construction.



f) In consultation with the City, NEP's contractor shall secure any necessary police details during construction along the approved route. If the City determines that additional directed patrols are necessary to manage traffic on designated detours and other side roads, NEP agrees to reimburse the City for such additional directed patrols up to \$150,000. In order to obtain reimbursement, the City shall submit to NEP detailed invoices from the Beverly Police Department on a monthly basis, which at a minimum shall include the name of the officer, the time and location of the patrol and the work request number that NEP will provide.

#### 6) Shade Trees

- a) In the event NEP contractor(s) remove public shade trees after consultation with the City's Arborist and in compliance with all applicable state laws and ordinances, NEP or its contractor shall replace the trees removed in accordance with Beverly's tree replacement policies (every inch in caliper that is removed is replaced by planting trees in locations determined by the City Arborist) and any newly planted trees must be guaranteed for two years after planting.
- b) Any required cutting of tree roots may only be performed after consultation with the City Arborist. Those trees subject to root cutting shall be guaranteed by the contractor for at least one year after root cutting and shall be replaced pursuant to City policy if ordered by the City Arborist.

#### 7) <u>Underground City Infrastructure</u>:

- a) Any City of Beverly infrastructure requiring relocation and/or implementation of any system by-pass shall be performed by NEP and its contractors. NEP shall identify such relocation or by-pass work in drawings with the proposed relocation plan. NEP shall indicate if relocation is permanent or temporary during construction and if temporary, infrastructure shall be returned to original location prior to restoration. Any temporary and/or permanent utility relocation plan shall be approved by the City's Department of Public Works in advance of the relocation. NEP and its contractors shall perform the relocation work in consultation with the City Department of Public Works.
- b) NEP's contractor shall take standard care to protect the integrity of any gravity services either exposed during construction, or unseen during construction (i.e., that have been crossed above by the Project). NEP's contractor shall repair any gravity lateral services located within five feet of the proposed Project ductbank that fail within 180 days after the permanent patching as described in paragraph 10(a).
- 8) Parking: NEP shall require its contractor to obtain a permit as set forth in Exhibit C allowing the contractor to block access to metered parking spaces. Licenses shall be obtained from the City's Engineering Department in advance of such blocking. The rate for such permit shall be \$15 day per space.

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#### 9) Construction:

- a) NEP shall require its contractor(s) to leave the construction site in broom-swept condition at the close of each construction each day. NEP shall require its contractor to establish a dust control procedure. In the event of snow, NEP's contractor shall ensure the work area is plowed.
- b) Construction work hours shall be limited to 7:00 am to 4:30 pm on weekdays, inclusive of clean-up activities. On weekends, construction may begin no earlier than 8:00 am. The City acknowledges, however, that work may need to be done on weekends and holidays for certain activities that are time-sensitive or that once started must be completed, including for instance cut-overs, cable splicing and work requiring outages. The City further acknowledges that NEP must comply with the work hours established by the MBTA for work occurring on the MBTA ROW. NEP shall prohibit its contractor from conducting any "pre-work" that generates a noise disturbance prior to 7:00 am on weekdays and 8:00 am on weekends, such as starting construction vehicles. As noted above, there will be certain exceptions when NEP will need to extend work outside of these work hours such as during cable splicing which will take approximately a 12-hour shift per day. During those instances and 48-hours prior to commencing any work requiring extended work hours, NEP shall submit in an e-mail to the City Engineer an explanation of the reasons and the duration of the extended work hours. With respect to non-MBTA regulated work, NEP shall request in such email approval from the City to proceed, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The City shall not enforce its noise and construction hour regulations when NEP has received the approval required by this paragraph.
- c) NEP shall require its contractor to place a sign, with National Grid's logo, phone, and Project website at all worksites during the Project.
- d) NEP shall receive approval from the City Engineer of any construction staging area on public property. Daily staging near the construction work site, which will be removed at the end of the day as set forth in paragraph 9(a) herein, is not subject to this provision and shall not require prior approval.
- e) NEP shall require its contractor to remove any unused equipment or materials from the worksite each evening.
- f) NEP and/or its contractor shall consult with the City's Director of Health and shall ensure that effective rodent controls are established. Should the rodent population be displaced (leave its natural habitat) because of the Project, then NEP and/or its contractor, at their sole cost and expense, shall retain the services of a professional exterminating company to abate the rodent migration problem. This service must adequately and sufficiently solve the problem.

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g) NEP will identify and provide contact information to the City of the appropriate and direct construction contacts who will be available 24 hours a day 7 days a week to the City for operational questions and concerns and to be available in the event of an emergency.

#### 10) Pavement Restoration:

- a) NEP agreed that streets excavated in support of the installation of the cable and the removal of the N-192 cable shall be repaved curb-to-center line and to repaint any center lines and other lines disturbed by construction; except that NEP agreed to repave curb-to-curb and repaint the center lines and any other lines present prior to construction as set forth in Exhibit A. The City, however, wants to use its own resources and contractors to perform the final pavement restoration along the Project route. Accordingly, NEP shall permanently patch the area excavated during cable installation and removal and shall pay the City \$2,750,000, which is the amount that NEP estimated it would have spent on the permanent roadway repaving. "Permanently patch" shall mean to repave, at a minimum, to a depth of 6 inches consisting of binder and finished course with a minimum of 1½ inches of finished course. However, with the consent of the City's Engineering Department prior to excavation, the minimum depth may be decreased.
- b) NEP will make incremental payments to the City in accordance with the schedule set forth in Exhibit B.
- c) The City shall use these funds to repave the roadways that are excavated during cable installation and removal. If funds remain following the repaving of roadways excavated during cable installation and removal, the City may use those funds to repave or restore detours and other secondary roadways disturbed during the Project and to mitigate other Project impacts.
- d) The City acknowledges that its failure to repave and restore the roadways would damage NEP's and National Grid's reputations and, therefore, agrees to complete the repaving and restoration using the funds provided by NEP within 18 months of the City's acceptance of responsibility for the roadway following inspections as set forth in Paragraph 10(e); provided, however, that National Grid shall not unreasonably withhold agreement to a one-time request from the City for an extension of no more than 6 months. If the City fails to complete final repaving of a roadway excavated by NEP within this time period, NEP may in its sole discretion either (i) agree to extend the time for the City to complete the repaving of the roadway in question, or (ii) to complete the repaving of the roadway in question itself. NEP shall give the City 30-days written notice before exercising its rights under (ii) of this section. In the event that NEP elects to complete the repaving, it may in its sole discretion choose to repave the roadway in question to the extent set forth in Exhibit A, and the City agrees to pay NEP the commercially reasonable cost of such repaving within 90 days of receipt of NEP's repaving invoice, which shall be NEP's sole remedy in the event that subparagraph (ii) is triggered.

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- e) The City will inspect NEP's permanent patching of City-owned roadways within 60 days of National Grid's request to inspect. NEP agrees to repair any defects identified by the City. If no defects are identified by the City following the City's inspection, the City shall be solely responsible for the condition of the roadways.
- f) The City, if necessary, will advocate before the City Council and/or other municipal boards that the different or additional repaving conditions are not imposed by the City Council or other municipal body in connection with any permits or approvals, including grants of location under G.L. c. 166, § 22. In the event that different or additional paving is imposed as a condition, the parties agree that the provisions of this section 10 shall be re-opened for further negotiation.
- g) NEP shall replace any portion of a sidewalk that must be removed for manhole and/or duct line installation or during N-192 cable removal to City standards and of the same materials as existing. The City will decide the extent of restoration, as some sidewalks are in poor condition and will require improvement to meet ADA requirements if disrupted, including the installation of handicap access ramps and crosswalks.

#### 11) Electric and Magnetic Fields (EMF)

- a) To help allay any concerns around the health effects of EMF, NEP agrees to the following:
  - i) To fund the City's request for an EMF expert to provide an independent review of the EMF report and analysis performed by Exponent. NEP's total contribution to this EMF expert shall not exceed \$20,000, including expenses. NEP will provide the EMF expert with Exponent's EMF reports, EMF testimony and EMF calculations that were part of the EFSB filing. NEP's agreement to pay for the EMF expert is conditioned upon the following:
    - (1) National Grid will be allowed to review the resume or resumes of potential experts to and provide feedback to the City on whether the potential experts are qualified to review and analyze EMF data and potential health effects;
    - (2) The independent EMF expert shall have a relevant engineering or physics background that would enable him or her to successfully interpret the data provided and perform calculations using an industry accepted software program;
    - (3) The independent EMF expert should either be qualified as an expert witness in public health and epidemiology or have the appropriate relevant experience in epidemiology and public health;

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- (4) The EMF expert will finalize his or her review and report as soon as possible, but in no event later than 60 days from the date of delivery of Exponent's report to the reviewing expert.
- (5) In order to meet National Grid's regulatory and accounting requirements, the EMF expert shall submit the invoice to NEP for payment for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.
- b) NEP's will make every commercial reasonable effort to install the cable at a depth of no less than 30" from the top of the conduit to the pavement and in a delta configuration in all areas except for at the immediate proximity of the manhole locations. NEP, however, retains the sole discretion to install the cable at a different depth and configuration when in NEP's professional judgment doing so is warranted to ensure installation of the cable in a safe, efficient, cost-effective and/or least impactful manner. NEP will notify the City before installing any cable at a depth of less than 30" depth and/or in a non-delta configuration except for in the immediate proximity of the manhole.
- 12) NEP acknowledges and understands that it must comply with M.G.L. ch. 166, section 22 and City Ordinances pertaining to the construction of underground conduits, cables, wires, manholes and/or the tearing up of streets, including but limited to City Ordinance §253-3, §253-6, §253-13 and §253-15. In the event that the City Council, acting pursuant to its authority under Chapter 253 of the City's Ordinance, imposes conditions that NEP believes are inconsistent with this agreement or unduly burdensome and/or costly, the parties agree to re-open this agreement for negotiation. NEP agrees that, to the extent that it has a list of locations and persons along the construction route who may be entitled to receive notice of any hearing required, it will provide the City Clerk with a copy. This provision is not intended to and does not delegate to NEP the responsibility of giving any required notice, which shall remain with the City Clerk to the extent required by law. Additionally, NEP agrees to reimburse the City for the cost of mailing required notices and making any necessary publications.
- 13) <u>Indemnification</u>. NEP agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees, boards, commissions, and agents from and against all suits and claims of liability of every name and nature, for or on account of any injuries to persons or damage property to the extent arising out of the negligence, gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional acts or fault of NEP in relation to the Project or this Agreement.
- 14) Entire Agreement: This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between NEP and the City of Beverly regarding the mitigation of impacts to the City by NEP that are attributable to construction of the Project. The City agrees not to require further mitigation other than what has been agreed to herein. Further, the City agrees to waive any and all permit or other fees and/or surcharges otherwise associated with the excavation and paving of public streets, including those related to the City's Pavement Condition Index. The parties may agree, however, that due to unforeseen circumstances

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such that construction start or completion is delayed by more than 180 days, to re-open negotiations and amend this agreement. Agreement to re-open negotiations shall not be unreasonably withheld and any amendments to this Agreement shall be in writing and executed by both parties.

Signed this 26 day of March, 2020 by the parties' authorized representatives.

CITY OF BEVERLY

Michael P. Cahill, Mayor

NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY d/b/a/ NATIONAL GRID

Brian Gennell

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Brian Gemmell, Vice President, Electric Transmission Asset Management

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#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### REPAVING SCOPE OF WORK

If under Section 10 of this Agreement NEP elects to complete permanent repaying, then it agrees to do so curb-to-curb along the following streets within the Cable Installation Alignment:

- a. Park Street (length 445 feet)
- b. Broadway, between Park Street and Cabot Street (length 1,610 feet);
- c. Cabot Street, where the Cable cross from Broadway to Thorndike Street (length 50 feet);
- d. Thorndike Street, from Cabot Street to Endicott Street (length 540 feet);
- e. Endicott Street, from Thorndike Street to Hale Street (including Monument Square) (length 670 feet); and
- f. Hale Street, from Thorndike Street to Lothrop Street (length 2,235 feet).

In addition to the above, NEP agrees to restore the pavement curb-to-curb in any of the following areas of the route:

- g. Where the Cable trench crosses the centerline and must traverse both sides of the street; and
- h. Where both removal and installation work occur within the same segment of street.

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#### **EXHIBIT B**

## Schedule for NEP's Installation Payments of Repaving Costs to City

In Paragraph 10(a), above, NEP agreed to pay the City of Beverly \$2,750,000, which the City will use to permanently repave the roadways excavated by NEP during the Project. NEP shall make payment installments in accordance with the following milestones:

- 1. 15% at the time of the City's mobilization for its repaving project;
- 2. 25% complete progress payment three (3) months after mobilization;
- 3. 25% complete progress payment six (6) months after mobilization;
- 4. 25% complete progress payment nine (9) months after mobilization; and
- 5. 10% final payment after acceptance of work.

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#### **EXHIBIT C**

City of Beverly, Massachusetts
Parking Department
191 Cabot Street, Beverly, Massachusetts

## LICENSE TO BLOCK METERED PARKING AREA

Company Name	
Address	
Phone	
Vehicle Manufacture (If Applicable)	
Plate # (If Applicable)	
Days Required	
# Spaces Needed	
\$ 15 PER DAY PER SPACE	
TOTAL DUE	

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SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE

October 15, 2021

Michael P. Collins Commissioner of Public Services and Engineering City of Beverly 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Re: Proposal – Review Magnetic Field Assessment – Beverly Regional Transmission Reliability Project

Dear Mr. Collins:

I write to provide a proposal and cost estimate to perform a review of the Magnetic Field Assessment prepared by Exponent for the Beverly Regional Transmission Reliability Project – N-192 Cable Relocation.

Upon receiving written notice to proceed from the City of Beverly, I propose to perform the following tasks:

- Review Beverly Regional Transmission Reliability Project N-192 Cable Relocation; Magnetic Field Assessment (Exponent, 2019)
- Review Current Status of Research on Extremely Low Frequency Electric and Magnetic Fields and Health; 2014-2018 (Exponent, 2019)
- Document findings of the review in a letter report. The letter report will address the following items:
  - o Was the approach used by Exponent appropriate to characterize magnetic fields associated with the Beverly Regional Transmission Reliability Project?
  - o Are the results of the assessment reasonable and consistent with expectations for a 115 kV underground transmission line?
  - o Has appropriate consideration been given to reducing magnetic fields associated with the transmission project to the extent feasible?
  - o Is the approach to the transmission project consistent with the requirements of the Massachusetts Energy Facility Siting Board?
  - o Is the review of health literature a comprehensive and fair review of the literature regarding health effects and exposure to 60 Hz electric and magnetic fields?
- If requested, participate in a conference call with officials from the City of Beverly to discuss the results of the review.

The estimated cost to perform the review is a flat fee of \$2,000. Review of additional materials not specified above or participation in public meetings, if requested, would be performed under an additional scope-of-work and budget.

Michael P. Collins Page 2 October 15, 2021

I have attached my resume detailing my qualifications for performing the requested work. Please contact me with any questions about the proposed review at 857-366-2015 or <a href="mailto:richlester@gmail.com">richlester@gmail.com</a>. I hope to have the opportunity to work with you on this review.

Sincerely,

Richard R. Lester, CEP

Certified Environmental Professional

Michael P. Cahill, Mayor 10/18/2021

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# Health effects of electromagnetic fields on children

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In today's world, most children are exposed to various manmade electromagnetic fields (EMFs). EMFs are electromagnetic waves less than 300 GHz. A developing child's brain is viilnerable to electromagnetic radiation; thus, their caregivers' concerns about the health effects of EMFs are increasing. EMF exposure is divided into 2 categories: extremely low frequencies (ELFs; 3-3,000 Hz), involving high-voltage transmission lines and in-house wiring; and radiofrequencies (RFs; 30 kHz to 300 GHz), involving mobile phones, smart devices, base stations, WiFi, and 5G technologies. The biological effects of EMFs on humans include stimulation, thermal, and nonthermal, the latter of which is the least known. Among the various health issues related to EMFs, the most important issue is human carcinogenicity. According to the International Agency for Research on Cancer's (IARC's) evaluation of carcinogenic risks to humans, ELFs and RFs were evaluated as possible human carcinogens (Group 2B). However, the World Health Organization's (WHO's) view of EMFs remains undetermined. This article reviews the current knowledge of EMF exposure on humans, specifically children. EMF exposure sources, biological effects, current WHO and IARC opinions on carcinogenicity, and effects of EMF exposures on children will be discussed. As well-controlled EMF experiments in children are nearly impossible, scientific knowledge should be interpreted object tively. Precautionary approaches are recommended for children until the potential health effects of EMF are confirmed.

Key words: Electromagnetic field, Extremely low frequency, Radiofrequency, Smart device, Child

#### Key message

- The nervous systems of children are more vulnerable to the effects of electromagnetic waves than adults.
- The exposure to electromagnetic fields (EMFs) among children should be minimized.
- According to International Agency for Research on Cancer EMFs are possibly carcinogenic, it should not be overlooked or interpreted with bias.

#### Introduction

Electromagnetic radiation is generated from natural environments such as the solar energy and geomagnetic field or from manmade sources. With scientific and technological advancements, our everyday environments are filled with various manmade electromagnetic fields (EMFs). EMFs are invisible and generated from electrical lines, transmission towers, telecommunications, home appliances, mobile phones, WiFi, and base stations. An increasing number of children use computers and iPads for school, entertainment, and social activities. Even infants can be exposed to EMFs in the residential environment or by the direct use of electronic devices (Fig. 1).

There are 2 main categories of EMFs: extremely low frequency (ELF) and radiofrequency (RF) waves. <sup>1-3)</sup> ELFs can be generated from electrical lines or transmission towers, issues of which have been investigated for the last several decades. RFs can be generated from mobile phones and smart devices and the recent 5th-generation (5G) technologies. The human effects of RFs are less evident and more difficult to study than those of ELFs.

In Korea, general measures have been recommended to reduce EMF exposure such as reducing the use of electronic devices or using them away from the body. However, little is known about the exact amount of daily EMF exposure that can affect a child's health and whether the effects of EMF exposure are similar to those of adults. The developing nervous system is more conductive and absorbs more electromagnetic energies than those of adults. Therefore, different standards are required to protect children.

In recent years, pediatricians have become increasingly asked about children's use of electromagnetic devices and the risks of EMF exposure. Thus, more knowledge about pediatric exposure to electromagnetic radiation is required than any other time before. Thus, this article reviews the current knowledge about the health effects of EMF exposure on children. The World Health Organization's (WHO's) opinions and other scientific researches will be critically reviewed, and the precautionary principle to reduce the negative effects of EMF on children will be emphasized.

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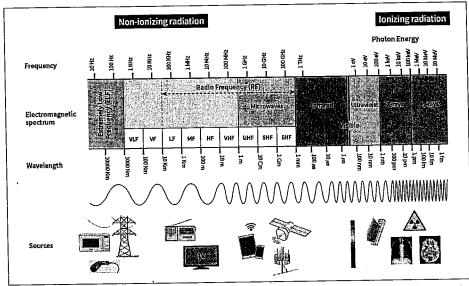


Fig. 1. The electromagnetic spectrum. Frequencies (expressed by hertz, Hz) increase from left to right, while wavelengths decrease from right to left, lonizing radiations are x-rays and y-rays. EHF, extremely high frequency; HF, high frequency; LF, low frequency; MF, medium frequency; SHF, super-high frequency; VF, voice frequency; VHF, very high frequency; VLF, very low frequency; UHF, ultra-high frequency.

# Sources of EMF exposure

Whenever electrical current flows, both electrical and magnetic fields are generated, known as EMFs. Electric field strength is measured as volts per meter (V/m), while magnetic field strength is measured as amperes per meter (A/m). A magnetic field can be measured as magnetic flux density (Tesla).

The electromagnetic spectrum is categorized into a frequency range: ELF, RF, infrared, visible, ultraviolet, and ionizing radiations (x- and y-radiation).1,3) EMF refers to waves less than 300 GHz, which includes most of the frequencies in everyday exposure. The lowest frequencies (3-3,000 Hz) are referred to as ELF-EMF, while the higher frequencies (30 kHz to 300 GHz, under infrared) are referred to as RF-EMF (Fig. 2).

# 1. Extremely low-frequency EMFs

ELF-EMFs are generated from electricity, electrical machines, transmission towers, and high-voltage lines. In Korea, electric power is operated at 60 Hz. More EMFs are absorbed with the use of appliances that are close to the body (e.g., hair dryers, bidets, massagers, and electric blankets). The general recommendation is that electrical appliances should be used at least 30 cm away from the body (http://www.emf.or.kr/general/html/life/ guideline.pdf).

# 2. Radiofrequency EMFs

RF-EMFs are generated from mobile phones, smart devices, WiFi, base stations, and radars. Radio or television transmitters and base stations can be large sources of RF exposure. Mobile phones generate more electromagnetic waves when used in a fast-moving subway or train or when searching for a base station before the ring back tone.5)

# Biological effects of EMFs

The main effects of EMFs on the human body are stimulation, thermal, and nonthermal. Stimulation effects involve the nerves and muscles at a high EMF, can be used for medical devices, and can cause electrical shock at very high stimulation levels. Thermal effects involve an increase in body temperature. Hot senses of the ear or body during mobile phone or laptop use are some examples. Nonthermal effects result from recurrent long-term exposure and may be related to the so-called electromagnetic hypersensitivity syndrome or neurodevelopmental disorders. However, the nonthermal effect is the least well investigated.<sup>6</sup>

The effects of EMF exposure differ with respect to frequencies and strength. For frequencies less than 300 GHz, limitation levels for human protection have been well established for public and occupational workers.<sup>7,8)</sup> From 100 kHz to 10 GHz, which includes the use of mobile phones, limitation level is expressed as a specific absorption rate (SAR, W/kg).2,8)

One of the major issues of EMF involves human carcinogenesis. Since the first report on residential ELF-EMF and childhood leukemia in 1979, several studies have investigated this association. 1,2,7) However, because of the nature of electromagnetic radiation, most studies were based on epidemiological data or animal experiments.

Animal studies on prenatal RF exposure demonstrated the deleterious effects of RF-EMF on the brain. Prenatal exposure to 900 MHz resulted in substantial loss of granule cells<sup>9)</sup> or a significant reduction in pyramidal neurons. 10) Mice exposed to in utero RF from cellular telephones were hyperactive and demonstrated memory impairment after birth.11) EMFs from mobile phones changed the blood-brain barrier's permeability and damaged neurons in the brains of exposed rats. 12-14)

Brain oxidative stress and epigenetics are considered biological

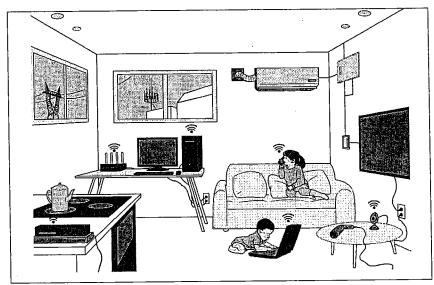


Fig. 2. Various sources of electromagnetic fields (EMFs). Extremely low-frequency EMFs are generated by electricity, various home appliances, In-house wiring, and outside high-voltage lines. Radio frequency EMFs waves are generated by mobile phones, smart devices, WiFi, base stations, and other devices.

mechanisms of RF-EMF effects. Several theories suggest that EMF exposure results in oxidative stress and reactive oxygen species and loss of cells and blocks their production.<sup>15)</sup> Oxidative stress parameters increase lipid hydroperoxide and myeloperoxidase activity in immature rats.<sup>16)</sup> RF-EMF exposure may change deoxyribonucleic acid methylation, histone modification, chromatin remodeling, and microribonucleic acid.<sup>16-18)</sup> However, the results of studies on brain oxidative stress induced by EMF are inconsistent.

In Korea, many websites for public and nonpublic institutions provide information aiming to improve public awareness and EMF knowledge. <sup>19-22)</sup> This information includes large amounts of data on human limitation levels, EMF measurements of electronic products, base station information, general safety guidelines, and false beliefs. Although the websites provide general information for public awareness, they sometimes conclude that the public concerns regarding carcinogenicity and nonthermal effects are exaggerated and have insufficient evidence. However, such conclusions may be hasty. Because evidence of the relevant websites is often based on WHO fact sheets, it is necessary for clinicians to review the WHO opinion and evaluate other scientific evidence objectively.

On the other hand, some individual websites or personal blogs deliver scientifically unreasonable negative information to users. Such messages exaggerate claims and interfere with reasonable discussions about EMF health effects.

# Different tones for human carcinogenicity

## 1. Carcinogenicity of ELF-EMF

In 1996, the WHO organized an international EMF project task group to investigate the potential health risks of EMF-associated technologies. In the resulting fact sheet in 2007, the

WHO concluded that there were no substantive health issues related to ELF electric fields at levels generally encountered by the public. This position was based on findings and reviews of the WHO task group as well as the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC, 2002) and International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (2003). The WHO task group referenced the IARC monograph evaluating the carcinogenic risks in humans in 2002 that classified ELF as a possible carcinogen. However, the task group commented that the epidemiological evidence of carcinogenicity was weakened by methodological problems such as potential selection bias.

In fact, the IARC's 2002 monograph evaluated a number of scientific studies on ELF electronic and magnetic fields and childhood and adult cancers. In the part about the effects on children, it stated that "pooled analyses showed 2-fold excess risk for exposure to ELF magnetic fields above  $0.4~\mu T$  and a relative risk of 1.7 for exposure above  $0.3~\mu T$ ." The IARC concluded that ELF magnetic fields were possibly carcinogenic to humans (Group 2B) and that the association between child leukemia and a high magnetic field was unlikely to be due to chance. In contrast to ELF magnetic fields, evidence on the association between ELF electric fields and leukemia was inadequate, and the associations between other childhood brain tumors or cancers and ELF were inconsistent.

The IARC is a working group under the auspices of WHO. Despite this, the different views between the WHO and the IARC may have originated from the differences in their respective members. Many committee members of the WHO's EMF project were involved with electricity-associated industries, whereas the IARC membership included more epidemiologists and health specialists. <sup>24</sup> In Korea, several public websites on EMF safety frequently cite the WHO EMF opinion. Some citations seem to have been changed through self-citation, which may cause the misleading interpretation that there is no scientific

# 2. Carcinogenicity of RF-EMF

A large international case-control study (INTERPHONE study, 2000) that aimed to determine the association between adult brain tumor risk and mobile telephone use reported no overall increase in brain tumor risk with the use of mobile phones.<sup>25)</sup> However, in the 10th highest decile of cumulative call time (≥1,640 hours), the odd ratios were 1.4 for glioma and 1.15 for meningioma.<sup>25)</sup> Glioma tended to occur more commonly in the temporal lobe on the side of usual phone use.<sup>25)</sup> After the INTERPHONE study, in 2013, the IARC published another monograph evaluating the carcinogenic risks of RF-EMF on humans.3) Similar to ELF magnetic fields, the IARC classified RF-EMFs as "possibly carcinogenic to humans (Group 2B),"3)

In 2014, the WHO also published the following fact sheet on mobile phone EMF and public health.26 Similar to ELF, the WHO opinion was undetermined. It referenced the IARC's classification of mobile phone use as possibly carcinogenic to humans. However, the WHO group repeated the comment that the "biases and errors limit the strength of these conclusions and prevent a causal interpretation."26 Such undetermined views of the WHO on the adverse effects of RF or ELF-EMF have been criticized by several scientist groups, which have requested that the WHO should reevaluate all health effects of EMF and include experts from all related fields such as health, medicine, and engineering to reassess the effects of EMFs. 24,27,28)

# Other EMF effects on children's health

In everyday life, children are exposed to indoor and outdoor EMFs. Although well-designed case-control studies are lacking, we can consider the available data in hypothesizing about the effects of EMF on children.

### 1. ELF effects on and children

ELF from high-voltage power lines can affect children living near them; in fact, children can be continuously affected by low-level in-house wiring. Much of the results regarding ELF and children's health are based on epidemiologic studies with childhood leukemia as described in the previous section.

While conducting the international EMF project, the WHO conducted an international workshop on "Sensitivity of children to EMF exposure" (Istanbul, Turkey, June 2004) of both ELF and RF-EMF exposure. They concluded that there was no direct evidence that children were more vulnerable to EMF because very few studies assessed this topic.29) However, considering the uncertain effects of EMF on children, the WHO recommended general measures such as reducing personal EMF exposure. They also recommended minimizing EMF exposure in schools, kindergartens, and any locations where children remain for a substantial part of the day.1,29)

# 2. RF effects on children

Whether children are vulnerable to RF has been debated for the last 20 years, when children were widely exposed to mobile phones. Human and animal model studies yielded significant findings regarding cellular phone use: increased headache, sleep disruption, neurotransmitter release, synaptic plasticity alterations, and neuronal cell cycles. 30-34) However, the experimental environment and RF doses may differ from those of actual exposures.

The Korean study conducted in 1993-1999 involving 1,928 children with leukemia and 956 children with brain tumors. It revealed that the risk of leukemia was 2.15 times higher in the group living within 2 km from AM radio transmitters than in the group living more than 20 km from it.35)

In 2000, the "Stewart report" by the UK Independent Expert Group on Mobile Phones declared that children may be more vulnerable to EMF than any other age groups. 4,36) They stated that "children are exposed to electromagnetic waves over a longer life time than adults and their nervous systems are in the process of development. As the conductivity of the children is higher due to higher moisture and ionic content than adults, and more than adults, children's head absorbs a lot of RF energy" (Fig 3).4) Stewart's report suggested that children should not be encouraged to use mobile phones unnecessarily and that mobile phone companies should not promote their use in children.<sup>4)</sup> Since Stewart's report, debate regarding the vulnerability of a child's brain surfaced from the Netherlands and Russia. 37,38)

# 3. Studies of mobile phone RF exposure in children

The skull thickness of adults is approximately 2 mm. However, the skull thickness of a 5-year-old child is approximately 0.5 mm and 1 mm in 10 years.<sup>39)</sup> Therefore, radiation penetration is larger in children than in adults.<sup>39,40)</sup> As a child's head diameter is smaller, the energy-absorbing "hot spots," the most sensitive parts of RF, are more pronounced. 41) Several engineering strategies to avoid the hazard of RF do not consider a child's head

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Fig. 3. The vulnerability of children to electromagnetic field exposure according to the UK Independent Expert Group on Mobile Phones, EMF, electromagnetic field; RF, radiofrequency.

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The results of the study that assessed the associations between RF exposure and cell phone use, residential RF-EMF levels, and cognitive function tests were inconsistent. 42-46) Ten-yearold children living in areas with higher RF exposure did not show any effects in most of the cognitive parameters; however, they did show lower verbal scores and higher internalizing and total problems. 46) In a study of children aged 5-6 years, greater residential RF exposure from base stations and the presence of indoor sources were associated with improved inhibitory control and flexibility of cognition but also reduced visuomotor coordination.47)

The associations between RF exposure and mobile phone use and sleep in children are inconsistent. 48-50) Habitual and frequent use of mobile phones was associated with lower sleep quality, while higher tablet use was associated with decreased sleep efficiency.<sup>49)</sup> Arousal and blue light may underlie these problems. Residential exposure to RF-EMF from base stations was not associated with sleep onset delay, night awakening, parasomnia, and daytime sleepiness in 7-year-old children; however, higher mobile phone use was associated with less favorable sleep duration, night awakening, and parasomnia.50)

Cell phone use by pregnant mothers during the pre- and postnatal periods can contribute to behavioral problems in children.51) In children exposed to cell phones during the pre- and postnatal periods, the odds ratio for behavioral problems was 1.8 after the adjustment of potential confounders. 52)

Recently, the European Union-funded international study evaluating the association between RF exposure by mobile phones and brain tumor risk in children and adolescents (MOBI-KIDS) was conducted.53) This large study included nearly 900 eligible patients from 14 countries, including Korea, and the final results are still pending.54)

The 5G technologies using electromagnetic waves can make hyper-connected network environments capable of augmented reality and 3-dimensional service. The 5G frequency comprises 3.5-GHz and 28-GHz bands. The effect of the 3.5-GHz band on humans may be similar to that of 4G and can utilize the existing base station, but 28 GHz may be different to the human body and the base stations must be installed more closely. Therefore, the long term effects of 5G on children's health are unestablished. The impact of 5G technologies on children has never been evaluated.55)

# 4. Precautionary principles for children

International policies and advisory responses regarding children's exposure to RF-EMF vary. RF-EMF-related advisory policies for children are as follows: banning mobile phone advertising or sale to children, SAR labeling, and preferring wired connection to WiFi in schools. In Korea, only the policy of SAR labeling on mobile phone is strictly followed. Similar to other scientific uncertainties, precautionary principles should be followed for the EMF problem (EC, 2017).56) The meaning of precautionary principle is as follows: when human activities may

# Table 1. Precautions to reduce the risk of excessive electromagnetic field (EMF) exposure in children

Children can be exposed to EMF by electronic devices, high-voltage transmission lines, mobile phones, WiFi, etc.

# For parents:

- Avoid long-term exposure to strong EMFs in home, school, or other places children spend much of their time.
- · Avoid using electrical devices within 30 cm of the body.
- · Avoid using smartphones directly against your child's head.
- · Keep your child's body from getting hot while using mobile phones.
- · Do not allow your child to use smart devices during meals or for the last hour before bed.
- · Note that the effects of various devices using virtual reality and WiFi have on the neural development of children remain unknown.
- · Most products that claim to reduce EMFs are ineffective or unproven.
- · Ask your child's pediatrician for information to guide your child's use of smart devices.

For teachers, policymakers, and commercial companies:

- · Teachers: Educate children on how to avoid excessive EMF exposure.
- Policymakers: Create policies to reduce children's EMF exposure from the environment.
- Commercial companies: Create products that reduce children's exposure to EMFs and issue warnings about them.

EMFs, electromagnetic fields.

lead to morally unacceptable harm that is scientifically plausible but uncertain, actions shall be taken to avoid or diminish that harm (UNESCO 2015). For children, strict standards are required until scientific knowledge is established, specifically in facilities such as schools and preschools, where they stay longer. This article suggests precautions to reduce the risk of excessive EMF exposure in children (Table 1).

### Conclusion

The nervous systems of children are more vulnerable to the effects of electromagnetic waves than those of adults. Although studies on the effects of EMFs on children's health are unestablished, precautionary principles should be followed for children and the exposure to EMFs among children should be minimized. The fact that EMFs are possibly carcinogenic according to the IARC should not be overlooked or interpreted with bias, and the opinions of clinicians should be given more weight than those of industries in the establishment of safety policies for EMF use. Moreover, a study that assesses the effects of 5G frequency technology on children's health is required.

### Conflicts of interest

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# Public Comments of Councilor Houseman at Joint Meeting on November 15, 2021

Call to Order Com of the Whole and Subcom.

Good Evening and thank you for attending this joint meeting on November 15, 2021 of the Legal Affairs Subcommittee, which I chair, and the Public Services Subcommittee which Councilor Flowers chairs. And thank you to both her, and to Councilor Rand, for their work with me on this issue.

It is important at the outset tonight to repeat what the 3 of us wrote in our letter to the Council on October 21st: that we are on record, as is the Council, as supporting ambitious clean energy goals to combat climate change, including the creation of a modern and resilient electrical grid.

However, the National Grid electric cable project is today the source of much concern and many questions of Ward 4 and Beverly residents. Tonight's meeting is one in a string of meetings that have already occurred, and are still to occur, in the coming weeks. That is because National Grid eventually will need to seek from the City Council a permit to open and use our public ways for the cable installation.

There are two primary questions from which all other questions and concerns about this project arise. They are, **first**, why are our city streets and neighborhoods being used as the route to replace an electric cable line that presently runs through Beverly along the MBTA railroad tracks and, **second**, what **health risks**, if any, might result from the cable running through our city streets and neighborhoods. Succinctly put, there are two issues: construction siting and public health.

The answers to these questions, National Grid would and does assert, have already been answered, and the concerns that Beverly residents are raising, are being raised too late, and are readily dismissed. National Grid has studies on construction siting and public health that it insists satisfactorily resolve my constituents concerns and questions. I beg to defer.

I am reasonably certain that National Grid has complied with all the technical requirements it needs so far to move this project forward. National Grid has a large, full-time team working on this project. And it has a lot experience with this type of project in other cities and towns. In our case, it has already received its state-level permitting from the Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB). But technical compliance in providing notice to the public, from my constituents point of view, is fairly meaningless if it is not reasonable and effective notice.

And, like them, from my personal experience as a City Councilor, the public notice process has been fatally flawed. Just two small examples, **First**: National Grid pointedly made contact with me in 2018 and promised to keep me in the loop. After all, this project runs through the entirely of Ward 4. However, when public notices were sent to my constituents about the project, no notice was given to me as a City Councilor at city hall or otherwise. I am listed as a Beverly resident, in my individual capacity, on their mailing list. But, if they

did sent me any notice, it would never have arrived. Why? Because not only do they have my street number wrong, the address they use does not exist.

A second example: a legally required public hearing, needed to get the state permit, was held on December 11, 2019 in Ward 4 at the Cove Community Center. (A hearing I was not notified of.) The public was given a two week comment period and the deadline for that period was December 27, in the middle of the week between Christmas and New Years Day. Likely this comment period technically complied with legal requirements. But I don't think anyone could argue with a straight face that a comment period, during the heart of the Christmas and New Years holidays was reasonable, or effective. It is easy to cynically think that this notice and time-frame was quite deliberately set to keep public knowledge and participation to an absolute minimum.

You could dismiss these flaws as fairly unimportant criticisms of a grumpy local elected official. But that would miss the point. These flaws represent a deeper, more materially defective process wherein, at its heart, lies one problem: a lack of trust. A lack of trust in the process, a process managed by National Grid, that has created a deep lack of trust in the information coming from National Grid.

On the subject of trust, let's step back for a moment and consider the background of news that my constituents have been exposed to in recent years.

Countrywide, once the nation's largest mortgage company was found guilty in federal court in 2013 of defrauding the federal mortgage agencies Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. [The Guardian, 2013]

Wells Fargo, the fourth largest bank in the United States, agreed in February, 2020 to pay \$3 billion to settle civil and criminal probes into its fraudulent sales practices. Practices, that the bank admitted, caused thousands of its employees to open millions of customer accounts under false pretenses [Forbes, 2020]

In 2021, Purdue Pharma has pleaded guilty in federal court twice to criminal wrongdoing in its marketing of OxyContin. The Sackler family, admitting nothing illegal, agreed to pay roughly \$4.3 billion, and forfeit ownership of Purdue Pharma. [NPR, 2021]

And today on the Commonwealth's website, we can read that Attorney General Maura Healey is suing Exxon Mobil Corporation. The complaint alleges that Exxon systematically and intentionally has misled Massachusetts investors and has deceived consumers about the central role its fossil fuel products play in causing climate change. It alleges both significant factual misstatements and the failure to make material disclosures. [mass.gov, 2021]

Why are these references relevant here tonight? Because we live in a era where it is not hard to find news of large, once trusted corporations, like Countrywide, Wells Fargo, Purdue Pharma, and Exxon, whose statements and conduct was once taken for granted by the general public as upstanding and who could be trusted. But these corporate citizens we learned, or in Exxon's case it is alleged, were not what they appeared to be.

So the general public has learned to be skeptical, if not downright cynical, when a large corporation, simply says: "trust me". So I don't fault my constituents when they hear there is an association in some studies between electromagnetic fields (EMFs) and childhood leukemia. Where the health of their children are concerned, I think that it is perfectly reasonable concern to have, and to want to learn and understand a lot more about the subject.

So considering the process to date, the lack of trust in National Grid should be no surprise. I will conclude, on the two specific issues, first, on public health and second on construction siting.

First: I submitted documents to the Council for tonight's meeting about the EMF report that was done by the city's recently retained independent expert, Richard Lester, to evaluate National Grid's EMF report. The Grid report, [prepared May 7, 2019, at Appendix 5-7] covered four years of EMF research from 2014 to 2018. Mr. Lester limited his work to a review of exactly the same research studies presented in the National Grid report. With a couple of hours on the internet last Friday, I found two research studies, one from 2020 and one from 2021, that suggested more recent evidence of EMF association with childhood leukemia. I am by no means competent to evaluate these recent studies. But I ask Mayor Cahill tonight to reopen the scope of work by the city's expert to review relevant EMF research up to the present, and not limited simply to information provided by National Grid.

Likewise, on construction siting, it is my understanding Mayor Cahill will be or has retained an independent engineering assessment of using the MBTA's railroad route for this project. I hope it will not be limited to evaluating National Grid's engineering feasibility report. It should take its own hypothetical position that the MBTA route can be used, and work out a scenario of what doing so would entail. Only then can we compare the two possible construction scenarios. I look forward to hearing from Mayor Cahill about that tonight.

I have not made up my mind on issues of the public health concerns and the construction route. But I agree strongly with all who are unwilling to accept National Grid's documents on their face and insist on a robust, independent, analysis of our own. It is up to us, at this point, to make the most of correcting what has been, up to now, a bad permitting process.

Finally, (I'm sure you're glad to hear me use that word), at a recent meeting with National Grid, concerned residents, and Senator Lovely and Representative Parasella, Mayor Cahill expressed a commitment to support the City Council to push back against National Grid, as it presently conceives this project. I look forward to hearing from his Honor about that tonight as well.

And now Councilor Rand would like to say a few words.

# Comments of Councilor Flowers at Joint Hearing on November 15, 2021

Thank you to my co-chair of this meeting, Councilor Houseman, for helping to open this shared gathering of the Subcommittees of Public Services and Legal Affairs.

Thank you to our fellow Councilors for your time tonight – as you have heard, Councilors Houseman, Rand, and I have been working on this issue, alongside residents and our Mayor's office, since the beginning of October, but you all have not had the opportunity to hear us share about it, nor for the Council to have conversation about this issue in the context of a public meeting – so calling this shared meeting allows us to do that.

Our hope for this evening is to allow for those of you who are just learning more about this issue to hear from us, as well as from our Mayor and from residents of our community, and then to leave time for you all to have the floor to ask questions/share your thoughts at the end of the meeting.

It is very likely that we will not resolve this issue in its entirety tonight. Indeed, this is an information gathering and sharing session. There is, at this time, no vote to be made on this proposed project, as National Grid has not yet officially applied for the grant of location, which will go before us as a Council. As a Council, we will have authority over whether or not we approve that application, which is why, to my mind, this opportunity to share information and have conversation tonight is so important.

I don't want to take too much of our time here at the outset, especially as we want to open the floor to the public AND we want to make sure to leave time for you all to have the floor – but I did want to share a few of my thoughts, after spending time with and working on this issue alongside Councilors Houseman and Rand and many of the residents in this room tonight, to help provide some context and grounding for why I, for my part, felt it important to help call this shared meeting.

First, a large issue we are confronting here is around the lack of robust and meaningful public process. National Grid last came before the Council to present this plan (which they called a replacement plan – leading both Councilors at the time *and* many residents to assume it was a replacement of a line that already existed in the place it ran. National Grid has said subsequently that "replacement" is an industry term that, to them, means it could be anywhere. I have urged them to consider how lay persons *not* in their industry will read communication and to communicate more transparently for all of us not in their industry) in September of 2018. At this time, the plan was presented for informational purposes only, with several possible routes, and we were told they would come back to us when there was more certainty around a selected route, etc.

I feel it is important to highlight that in September 2018, the Council looked quite different than it does today. Since that time, the seats for Ward 1, Ward 3, Ward 5, and Ward 6 are all held by Councilors *other than* those holding them in September 2018. National Grid has made no further presentation nor sought to update this current Council.

In addition, National Grid held minimal public meetings for residents – particularly given that the last opportunity for such a public informational meeting before the project went to the State Siting Board this October was in 2019 – with a global pandemic erupting between now and then and minimal attempts are robust and transparent communication to residents and to Councilors, I believe that while National Grid met the minimal statutory requirements for engagement on this project, they did not work to ensure real and robust communication and process.

In my mind, a poor public process is no public process at all; a poor process that seeks to minimize public engagement rather than encourage it widely does not yield a good nor a fair result. That is what we are dealing with here, in my opinion.

What is being asked by residents – that we pause this project until we can better understand both the health and human safety ramifications of the EMFs from the cable running so close to residents' homes through multiple neighborhoods of our City, as well as environmental impact – is in my mind not only reasonable, it is critical.

No one who has raised these concerns – including myself, Councilor Houseman, and Councilor Rand – is opposed to the idea that we *need* safe, reliable electric energy for the future. This is a given, especially as we strive to de-carbonize and to move away from fossil fuels and toward ever-cleaner energy. The question here is not whether we should have safe and reliable electric service – of course we should – it is about *this* project, its siting, why it cannot remain in its current and existing right of way along the MBTA tracks, and the lack of public engagement and process leading us to this moment.

Indeed, as we move forward toward a cleaner energy future, we *need* to model doing these projects in ways that engage the public fully *and* that take into account not only location and cost of the project *but also* impacts on health and human safety and on the environment. We want to do the very best to this end now, so that we don't look back in 20 or 30 years and realize that we missed the opportunity to best protect both people *and* our environment, moving toward a cleaner energy future. (After all, in Beverly, as we see the impacts made by pollution from Varian in the past right here in the present, we know very well the importance of ensuring that corporations striving to do business here in our community are held to high standards when it comes to questions of transparency, health and human safety, and environmental care.)

I will close with one last thought — much has been made by National Grid of the urgency of this project to ensure reliable electric service not only to Beverly, but to all of Cape Ann. On more than one occasion, I have heard National Grid stress this point in a manner that I have taken to calling "pulling the fear lever," and, in my mind, attempting to pit Beverly against the rest of the region. My response is this: first, National Grid's aging and failing infrastructure that is now urgently in need of repair is *not* the fault of residents of Beverly, nor of any other community in the Commonwealth that has pushed back on the siting of these projects. National Grid is responsible to keep up with their infrastructure so that it is not on the brink of failure. National Grid is responsible to provide service to residents. To that end, the existing line in the existing right of way *is needed*, still, and *is being repaired at this time* — even if they move ahead with a new cable in some location, that will not be an instant fix — and the existing cable must be kept in

service during this time. One question I plan to ask them again is to elaborate more on this process – because thus far I have been extremely disappointed with their phrasing of statements around this issue and the way that I believe that are seeking to frighten Beverly's residents and leaders into not pushing back or asking questions about this project by raising the specter of residents across our communities sitting in the dark and cold for days – yet, it is my understanding that they are keeping the existing buried cable operational and would need to do so during any replacement or new project to avoid just that.

I want to pause here, and, before we open the floor more broadly, I would like to give Mayor Cahill the opportunity to speak on this issue – or to invite into the conversation any of his Department Heads, as he sees fit.

Mayor Cahill, would you like to speak at this time?



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

D.P.U. 13-86

November 4, 2014

Petition of NSTAR Electric Company pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 72, for approval to construct and operate two 115 kV underground transmission lines from K Street to Columbia Road in the City of Boston

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Intervenor

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NSTAR stated that four MBTA bus routes run through the portion of South Boston in which the Project will be located (Exh. DPU-1-30 and att.). The Company indicated that Project construction will be managed so as to avoid disruption to these bus routes (Exh. NSTAR-1, at 52). The Company expects construction crews of six to ten workers (Tr. at 133). Construction crew parking will occur off-site, at a staging area to be selected by the construction contractor, to avoid any parking of personal vehicles at the worksite (Exh. DPU-1-31; Tr. at 53).

# 5. Noise Impacts

NSTAR stated that there would be no operational noise associated with the Project (Exh. NSTAR-1, at 49). With respect to construction noise, the Company stated that East First Street, Columbia Road/Day Boulevard, and East Broadway all have high daytime ambient noise levels due to vehicle traffic (id.). Nevertheless, the Company stated that, where appropriate, it will take measures to reduce construction noise, such as limiting the size of construction equipment and using the latest designs in such equipment, to minimize engine noise (id.). The Company also stated that it will comply with state laws and regulations limiting engine idling, with some exceptions, to no more than five minutes (id. at 50).

With respect to weekday construction between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., the Company stated that it will comply with the City of Boston Air Pollution Control Commission's Regulations for the Control of Noise in the City of Boston ("City Noise Regulations"), which prohibit the operation of any piece of construction equipment (except for impact devises, as defined in the regulations) with a noise level exceeding 86 decibels on an

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A-weighted scale ("dBA") at a distance of 50 feet from the equipment (id. at 49-50 and Tables 3 and 4; DPU-1-22 and att. (b); Tr. at 68-69). With respect to construction that may occur on Saturdays or on weekdays outside of the allowable 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. period, the Company stated that it will comply with Chapter 16, Section 26.5 of the Boston Municipal Code, which limits construction sound levels to a maximum of 50 dBA at any residential lot line (Exh. DPU-1-22 and att. (a); Tr. at 66).

The Company described the area in which HDD work would occur as a mix of residential and commercial uses (Tr. at 103-104). The Company stated that most buildings in the area are close to the street, as they are adjacent to the sidewalk with no front yards (id. at 104). The Company indicated during hearings that a number of residences would be within 50 feet of the HDD location (id.). The Company subsequently stated that that the best method for mitigating HDD noise impacts would be to keep the HDD as far from residences as possible, and that, if HDD is used, the HDD set-up area would be located in the non-residential section of K Street, approximately 100 feet from the nearest residence (id.). The Company indicated that the maximum sound level from any piece of equipment associated with the HDD would be no greater than 86 dBA at a distance of 50 feet from the HDD equipment, as required by the City Noise Regulations (DPU-RR-5). The Company noted that

Only pavement cutters would exceed the 86 dBA noise limit (Exh. DPU-1-19). Pavement cutters are considered to be impact devices, and thus are exempt from the 86 dBA limit (Exh. DPU-1-22, att. (b) at 4, 8).

The Company indicated that it would make every effort to perform HDD work between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. only, and would complete the work within two weeks (RR-DPU-5).

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the maximum composite noise level at 50 feet, including other sources of construction noise, would be 89 dBA (id.).

The Company indicated that if it were to receive a noise complaint, it would follow up with noise measurements and, if appropriate, place temporary noise barriers around the HDD equipment (RR-DPU-5; Tr. at 57). The Company stated that noise barriers could reduce sound levels by 15-20 dBA at a distance of 50 feet. The Company estimated that noise barriers would cost eight to 15 dollars per square foot, depending on whether walls or curtains were used (RR-DPU-5).

# 6. Air and Water Impacts

The main sources of potential Project-related air quality impacts are: (1) emissions from construction equipment and motor vehicles; and (2) fugitive dust emissions from disturbed soil and street openings (Exh. NSTAR-1, at 47). The Company stated that contractors will be contractually required to comply with all applicable regulations regarding vehicle emissions and dust (id.). The Company stated that all construction equipment with engine horsepower ratings of 50 and above to be used for 30 or more days over the course of project construction will have U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("USEPA") -verified (or equivalent) emission control devices installed (id.). Vehicle idling will be limited in accordance with the Massachusetts anti-idling law, and with NSTAR's company-wide idling reduction policy (Exhs. NSTAR-1, at 47-48; DPU-1-35). If necessary, dust generated from earthwork and other construction activities will be controlled by spraying water, as well as daily sweeping of the pavement and adjacent roadways (Exhs. NSTAR-1, at 48; DPU-1-34).

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October 14, 2021

Robert J. Shea, Esq., Presiding Officer Energy Facilities Siting Board One South Station Boston, MA 02110

Re: New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid, EFSB 19-04/ D.P.U. 19-77 19-78

Dear Mr. Shea:

On October 8, 2021, the Energy Facilities Siting Board (the "Siting Board") issued a Final Decision approving, with conditions, the petitions of New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid ("NEP" or the "Company") to: (1) construct and operate a new 3.73-mile-long 115 kilovolt underground cable in Salem and Beverly; (2) construct a new switching station on Waite Street in Salem; (3) upgrade the Company's Beverly #12 and East Beverly #51 Substations; and (4) remove the existing N-192 Cable. This work is referred to as the Project. The Final Decision contained a number of conditions, certain of which require the Company to provide information to the Siting Board prior to the commencement of construction of the Project.

This letter is in compliance with Condition M, which directs the Company to submit a copy of final traffic management plans ("TMPs") for the Project to the Siting Board when available, but no less than two weeks prior to the commencement of construction, and to publish the TMPs on the Company's Project website to ensure availability of traffic-related planning information for the Project area. <u>Final Decision</u> at 135.

In accordance with Condition M, please see Exhibit 1, the Company's TMPs for the Project. These TMPs have been published on the Company's website. The Company will review the TMPs with City officials from Salem and Beverly on a regular basis and revise them as necessary throughout construction to reflect evolving municipal requirements and conditions on the ground.

Presently, the Company intends to commence construction of the Waite Street Switching Station on October 28, 2021. Construction of the underground cable is anticipated to begin the week of November 8, 2021. The Company will comply with other pre-construction compliance requirements prior to commencing construction.

I have attached a Certificate of Service. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Respectfully Submitted,

# NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY d/b/a NATIONAL GRID

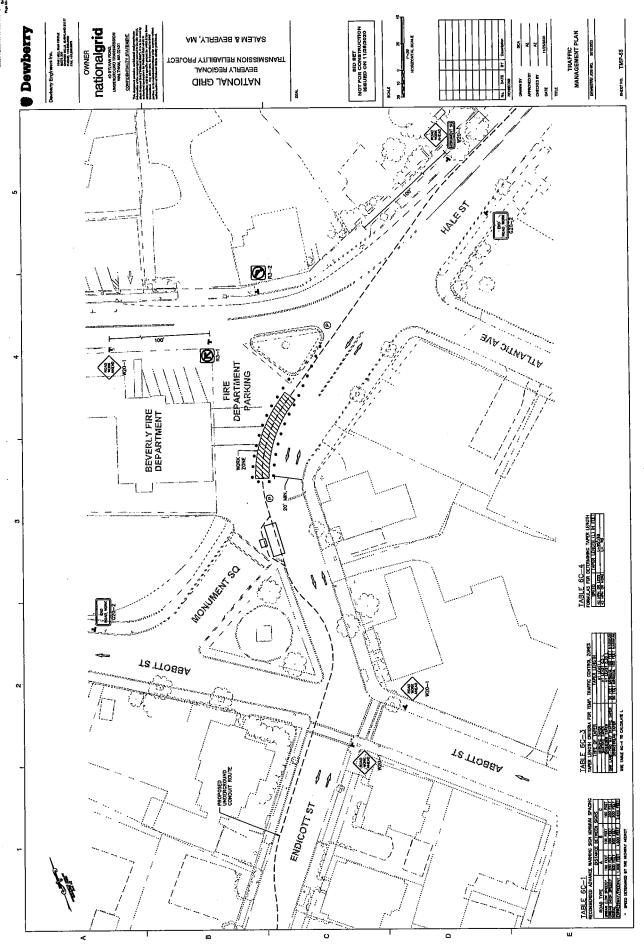
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February 17, 2022

City Council City Hall 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915 RECEIVED AND RECORDE

RE: Fixed Route Amphibious Sightseeing Tour Application and Process for Council Review and Comment

Dear Honorable Council:

Chapter 274, §274-1 confers the authority on the City Council to issue a license for the operation of a fixed route sightseeing tour over City streets. Chapter 274, §274-2 outlines the minimum requirements for an application for the license. However, the City does not have a form application or process in place for Council review of the application.

We submit for your review and comment a proposed application and submission process for an amphibious sightseeing tour. We also submit a list of license restrictions for consideration.

We look forward to your comment.

Sincerely yours,

Beth A. Oldmixon

Beth A. Oldmixon Assistant City Solicitor

# Proposed Process for Licensing Motor Bus for transporting passengers for hire as a business between fixed and regular termini. (see Ordinance 274-1)

- 1. Operator submits completed application and supporting paperwork to Clerk
- 2. Clerk schedules for public hearing with City Council
- 3. City Council votes
- 4. Mayor reviews and approves or rejects
- 5. If approved operator seeks license from State Department of Public Utilities (DPU)
- 6. Upon approval from DPU the City may issue the license subject to all restrictions in Ordinances and right of revocation.

# Departments that City Council may wish to seek input when considering license application

Harbormaster

Harbor Management Authority

Police Department

Fire Department

Health Department

**Public Services** 

# Restrictions to consider when issuing a fixed route license

- 1) All operators must be at 21 years of age and shall hold a license from the proper authorities of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (Beverly Ordinance § 274-5)
- 2) All licenses issued are subject to Beverly Ordinances including, but not limited to, Chapter 274.
- The operator of an amphibious sight-seeing vehicle shall not provide guide service, narrate history, identify landmarks or sights or otherwise provide entertainment or information when operating on a public way. (M.G.L. Chapter 90, Section 13C)
- 4) Amphibious vehicles must meet United States Coast Guard requirements.
- 5) Boat owners/fishermen will be given priority use of town ramps.
- 6) Public address system must not disturb residents in residential areas.
- 7) Staging area will not block a City sidewalk to foot traffic.
- 8) Staging area will be kept clean at all times while amphibious tours are inoperation.
- 9) Vehicles must stay in approved tour route.

Type of License Amphibious Vehicles		
Filing Fee to the Town: \$	Hearing Required: Yes X	<u> </u>
Fees: per vehicle fee		
Ridership Fee to Town Manager: \$per rider fee		
Parking Space Fee: \$per space per season		
Required Forms		
Amphibious Vehicle Application		
Route desired		
Proof of Liability Insurance		

# City of Beverly City Clerk 191 Cabot Street

Beverly, MA 01915

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# **Amphibious Tours Application**

Business Name	
Business Address	
Mailing Address	
Business Phone	
Owner Name	
Owner Address	

# Vehicle Information: Number of Vehicles to be operated within the City\_\_\_\_\_ For each Vehicle provide (please provide additional pages if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_Reg. #:\_\_\_\_\_Capacity set by USCG: \_\_\_\_\_ Make Vehicle Width\_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Length \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Weight Make\_\_\_\_\_Reg. #:\_\_\_\_Capacity set by USCG: \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Width\_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Length \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Weight \_\_\_\_\_Reg. #:\_\_\_\_\_Capacity set by USCG: \_\_\_\_\_ Make Vehicle Width Vehicle Length \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Weight \_\_\_\_\_\_Reg. #:\_\_\_\_\_Capacity set by USCG: \_\_\_\_\_ Make Vehicle Width\_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Length \_\_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Weight

Detailed Route Description. The description must include 1) passeng drop off location, 3) name of and direction of travel on any and all C feet or more clear span on the route, 5) any and all boat ramps used f different from passenger pick up and drop off locations. Please attace	ity streets, 4) list of all bridges of 10 for water access, 6) termini of route if
Do you have a Municipal Street License (MGL Ch. 159A, Sec. 1)	Yes No
If yes please provide the license number	
Insurance Company Name (copy of policy must be provided)	<u> </u>
Do you have a public address system? Yes	
No No	



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CITY COUNCIL

The Honorable City Council Beverly City Hall 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Honorable City Council:

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In the event that the National Grid Cable Transmission project occurs as National Grid proposes, the issue of rodent control will be a subject of even greater concern than many residents find it to be currently.

Integrated Pest Management Programs are generally considered to be best practice for successful municipal rodent control. To implement such a program in Beverly, it will take, among other things, both ordinance revisions and a budgetary commitment. There is an active citizen group working to address the issue of rodent management. I am writing to provide the Council with information that group has collected, and presented to me, as background for when this topic is discussed with Mayor Cahill. It will be helpful to learn from the administration how it is coordinating its efforts to accomplish this work and how the Council might assist in that effort.

There are at least six different existing ordinances that may need revising. These ordinances address dumpsters, litter, permissions needed by contractors to tear up and restore city streets, and separate ordinances setting fines for violations. Also, there are process requirements, some formal and some informal, imposed or administered by the Planning Board and the Health Department that address rodent control when construction, excavation, and demolition are concerned. Likely whole new ordinance provisions will need to be written to implement an Integrated Pest Management Program and harmonize existing ordinances.

The City of Portland, Maine has a permanent program in place and the City of Somerville is in the process of implementing a pilot project, modelled after Portland's program, that takes a specific approach to rodent control. These cities use a fairly new, bait-free approach that could be considered ecologically friendly. A brochure with information about that approach is attached.

In brief, Somerville is installing "smart sensors" and 50 "smart boxes". These are shredder-size boxes that bait and then jolt with reverse defibrillation to instantly kill the rat, and dump it into a side chamber. The box notifies the technician when it has a dead rat and the boxes can hold multiple rats. The pilot is running in four areas of the city: one high commercial, one park/bike path, one residential, and one alongside the Green Line Extension construction, for 5 months.

The boxes will provide data to see if the program and technology is more effective in some areas compared with others, and a report will be provided to Somerville city council with the information.

In addition, Somerville has had continual social media, door-to-door, and mailing campaigns at least since 2018. Somerville provides weekly baiting and burrow treatments for any resident as long as a waiver/form is signed by the property owner and all tenants/occupants.

Somerville spent \$38,343 in FY 2019 on extermination/rodent control; \$38,699 in FY 2020; and \$23,261 through 4/30 in FY2021. This information is available on the Somerville city website under Programs and Initiatives. Their program includes hiring the city's first "Environmental Health Coordinator". Beverly's rodent citizen group reports that Somerville budgeted \$100k for FY2022 for this rodent control program.

Respectfully,

Scott Houseman

City Councilor Ward 4

# An intelligent, effective and discreet rodent control system.

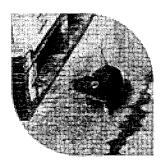
In order to deal with the problems rodents can cause there is an urgent need for intelligent and environmentally friendly methods. In complex businesses and larger areas effective rodent control can often be a challenge. Anticimex SMART control system is the solution. Our comprehensive, non-toxic and flexible service combines our experience and knowledge of rodents with cutting-edge technology that helps to both monitor and exterminate rodents.

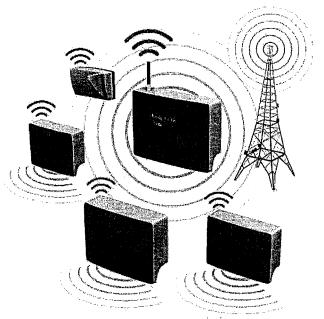
ANTICIMEX SMART CONTROL SYSTEM is a part of our Anticimex SMART service. It is one of our many intelligent solutions for protecting buildings and businesses against rodent infestation, both indoors and outdoors. The system is ideal for use in food processing and manufacturing plants, pharmaceutical and packaging industries, in and around apartment blocks, hospitals, schools, government properties and other similar areas. All our equipment has been designed to be modern, discreet and to blend in naturally in different types of environments.



### A complete solution for your pest control.

AT ANTICIMEX WE HAVE EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE of rodent behavior and biology. By using efficient and environmentally friendly methods we can reduce problems with rodents with the least risk to humans and the environment. In addition to the Anticimex SMART control system we can also offer other digital traps and sensors as well as more traditional pest control methods.





# The advantages of Anticimex SMART:

- Peace of mind thanks to effective protection and monitoring 24/7.
- Regular inspections of the whole of the premises.
- Professional callout service on hand to take prompt action when needed.
- Documented logs, giving early indications of where and when problems occur, enabling targeted actions.
- Environmentally friendly and free from pesticides.
- Cost-effective as a result of reduced risks.
- Time-saving due to automated checks.

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# Permanent monitoring of rodents – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

# This is how the Anticimex SMART control system works.

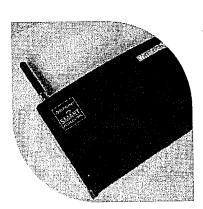
BASED ON A THOROUGH ASSESSMENT of your business, we identify strategic positions to install the Anticimex SMART control system. The system consists of a single master control box, traps and sensors. The control box can connect and control up to 50 different traps and sensors which in turn are also linked wirelessly with each other, creating an uninterrupted grid network. All information from the traps and sensors is sent over a cellular network. This gives the Anticimex SMART control system great flexibility and an outstanding range, allowing a single system to cover a very wide area.

THE TRAPS CAN CATCH AND KILL RODENTS as well as monitor and detect rodent activity approximately 2 metres around it's location.

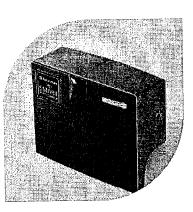
THE SENSORS CAN BE USED either as a monitoring device or as a range extender when the system is used in a large area. The sensors can also be mounted directly onto more traditional traps in order to monitor activity around and inside the trap.

BOTH TRAPS AND SENSORS can be positioned either vertically or horizontally, allowing them to easily be placed in areas that otherwise could be difficult to control, such as under machinery and equipment and on top of racks and shelves. They can also be used both outside and inside buildings, for example, along walls, in warehouses, attics, hallways and kitchens.

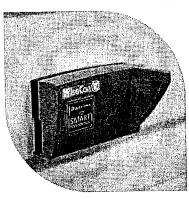
BASED ON THE STATISTICS from the traps and sensors we monitor the success rate of the programme, provide suggestions for further action and, if needed, make alterations to the programme.



One master control box connects with and controls all traps and sensors.



An example of a trap that both catches rodents and monitors their activity.



An example of a sensor that can be used as a monitoring device or as a range extender.



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Modern Pest Services

100 Pleasant St., Brunswick, ME 04011

Anticimex is the modern pest control company. Through prevention, new technology and sustainable solutions, we meet the new demands for healthy environments, for both individuals and companies worldwide.



# Intelligent and effective control of rodents in sensitive areas.

Our modern society has created an ideal environment for rodents in which they can thrive and multiply quickly. They are growing increasingly resistant to common prevention methods and regulations for the use of rodenticides are becoming more stringent. In order to deal with rodent problems, there is an urgent need for intelligent and environmentally friendly methods. Anticimex SMART box is the solution.

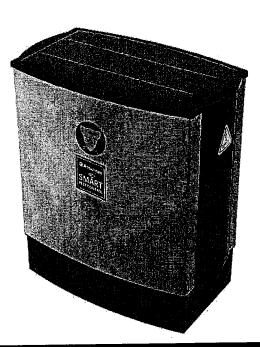
ANTICIMEX SMART BOX is an environmentally friendly, multicatch trap for indoor as well as outdoor usage. The trap is placed in areas where rodents are active, and is effective against both rats and mice. It is available in several models and can be powered by battery, electricity or solar panels. As rodents are curious beings, they quite happily explore new environments. Anticimex SMART box takes advantage of their innate urge to seek safety and protection.



### A complete solution for your pest control.

AT ANTICIMEX WE HAVE EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE of the rodents behavior and biology. By using efficient and environmentally friendly methods we can reduce problems with rodents with the least risk to humans and the environment. In addition to Anticimex SMART box we can also offer other digital traps and sensors as well as more traditional pest control methods.





# The advantages of Anticimex SMART:

- Peace of mind thanks to effective protection and monitoring 24/7.
- Regular inspections of the whole of the premises.
- Professional callout service on hand to take prompt action when needed.
- Documented logs, giving early indications of where and when problems occur, enabling targeted actions.
- Environmentally friendly and free from pesticides.
- Cost-effective as a result of reduced risks.
- Time-saving due to automated checks.

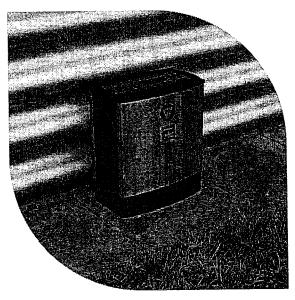
# This is how the Anticimex SMART box works.

BASED ON A THOROUGH ASSESSMENT of your business, we identify strategic positions to install the Anticimex SMART box. The box is typically placed along the sides of buildings and other places where rodents feel secure.

WHEN A RODENT ENTERS THE TRAP, the sensors detect the rodents movement or body heat. A catch function is activated, immediately killing the rodent with an electrical current. The rodent is deposited into a plastic bag in a closed container. The trap is then automatically reset and ready for action again. No poison or bait is used.

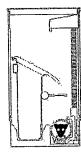
SENSORS INSIDE THE TRAP continuously report information to us regarding activity and catches. Whenever there is an alarm or deviation, we will also receive immediate indication of this, enabling us to act quickly and to prevent the problem from becoming too costly or too overwhelming.

BASED ON THE TRAP STATISTICS we monitor the success rate of the programme, provide suggestions for further action and, if needed, make alterations to the programme.

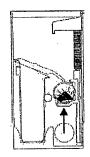


In this scenario the trap is placed along the side of a building where rodents feel secure.

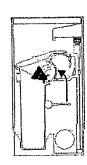
 A rodent enters the trap and the trap is activated.



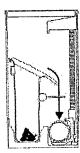
 The elevator lifts the rodent upwards where it receives an electric charge.



3. The elevator deposits the rodent into a bin.



4. The elevator returns to it's start position, ready for another catch.



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Anticimex SMART pipe trap

# Secured drains reduce the risk of rats in the property.

Comprehensive and well-developed sewage systems have created a perfect environment for rodents. The hidden world beneath us is a secure place for rats to thrive in. The solution is Anticimex SMART pipe trap, an efficient and environmentally friendly way to protect property and apartment owner associations against the costs and discomfort that rats in sewers and toilets can cause.

RATS ARE VERY HARMFUL IN OUR SOCIETY. In our sewers rats have access to food, water, shelter — and a transport system that leads right into our homes and buildings. Rats are not only unpleasant, they can also spread infections and odors. They also can be a costly problem because of their constant gnawing on cables and piping which can cause fire or water damage.



ANTICIMEX SMART PIPE TRAP IS A patented solution that provides effective and long-lasting protection against rats. It is also easy on the environment and completely automatic. The trap is placed on a drain pipe in the property's drainage or sewage pipe system, preventing the rats from coming into the building through the exterior sewage system.

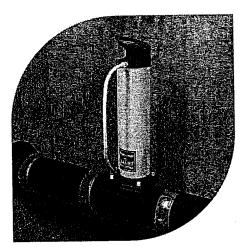
WHEN THE MOVEMENT OR BODY HEAT of a rat is detected by the sensors, the trap is activated, immediately killing the rodent. The trap is then automatically reset and ready for action again. The rodent is washed away by the flow in the system. No poison or bait is used and the method does not affect the normal flow in the sewer.

SENSORS IN THE TRAP CONTINUOUSLY report information on activity and catches, enabling us to act quickly if an alarm or deviation occurs. Based on the trap statistics we monitor the success of the program, provide suggestions for further action and, if needed, make alterations to the program.

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# Advantages with Anticimex SMART pipe trap:

- Peace of mind thanks to effective protection 24/7.
- Effective as rats are not able to enter a building through the sewage system.
- Economic as a result of reduced damages and costs.
- Easy due to automated capturing and emptying.
- Reliable as deviations and alarms are registered directly.
- Time-saving thanks to digital monitoring and control.
- Service focussed with quick call-outs and maintenance.
- · Environmentally friendly and free from pesticides.



# CITY of BEVERLY COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

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191 Cabot Street Beverly, Massachusetts 01915 Phone (978) 921-6000 Fax (978) 921-6187

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February 22, 2022

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RE: Community Preservation Committee-

CPA Funding Recommendation for Out-of-Cycle application relative to the acquisition, by the City, of two vacant parcels located on Simon Street (Gloucester Crossing pocket parks) for the purpose of acquiring, preserving and enhancing passive and active recreational space.

Dear President Flowers and Members of the City Council,

The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) has reviewed the out-of-cycle application submitted by the City of Beverly and voted, unanimously, to recommend that the City Council fund the Gloucester Crossing pocket parks project in the amount requested, \$200,000.00 (two hundred thousand dollars). The proposed project presents a rare and exciting opportunity to acquire, preserve and enhance recreational space in a well-established neighborhood.

All recommended projects are subject to the terms and conditions imposed by the Community Preservation Committee, as noted below and through anticipated Grant Agreements (GA) or Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) or other documents, as is appropriate. The following conditions are common to all recommended projects:

- 1. Projects financed with Community Preservation Act funds must comply with all applicable State and municipal requirements. CPA funds are administered and disbursed by the City of Beverly.
- 2. Project oversight, monitoring, and CPA fund control will be carried out as required in project Memorandums of Understanding/Grant Agreements or other such documents.
- 3. The CPC will require project status updates from recipients and back up invoices for any CPA fund disbursement requests.
- 4. All projects will be required to credit CPA funding in their promotional material and, where appropriate, with exterior signage.

The CPA application, relative to the acquisition of the Simon Street parcels, is available online via the Community Preservation Committee's web page at <a href="https://www.beverlyma.gov/409/Community-Preservation-Committee">https://www.beverlyma.gov/409/Community-Preservation-Committee</a>. Requests for a hard copy of this document, or any questions, may be submitted to Denise Deschamps, staff for the CPC, via email at <a href="mailto:deschamps@beverlyma.gov">deschamps@beverlyma.gov</a>

As you are aware, pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, a public hearing must be scheduled prior to any City Council vote taken on the attached order.

Respectfully Submitted by: Beverly Community Preservation Committee



Chair Heather Richter, At-large Representative
Vice Chair Derek Beckwith, Planning Board Representative
Robert Buchsbaum, Conservation Commission Representative
Thomas Bussone, II, Housing Authority Representative
Christy Edwards, At-Large Representative
Nancy Marino, Parks & Recreation Commission Representative
Marilyn McCrory, Open Space & Recreation Committee Representative
Wendy Pearl, Historic District Commission Representative

# Attachments

cc: Michael P. Cahill, Mayor
Bryant Ayles, Finance Director
Stephanie Williams, City Solicitor
Darlene Wynne, Planning and Development Director
Denise Deschamps, Economic Development Planner
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Letter to Beverly City Council
RE: Community Preservation Funding Recommendation for Out-of-Cycle application from City of Beverly for acquisition of vacant-Simon Street parcels
February 22, 2022
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Re: City Council Vote

Community Preservation Committee Project Funding Recommendation, Funding of Out-of-Cycle Application submitted by the City of Beverly. Recommendation for funding submitted to the Beverly City Council by the Beverly Community Preservation Committee on February 22, 2022

To appropriate \$200,000.00 (two hundred thousand dollars) to the City of Beverly for the purpose of acquiring two parcels of property, 14 and 34 Simon Street, currently owned by the Beverly Housing Authority. These parcels will be used, in perpetuity, for both active and passive recreation. Said appropriation shall consist of \$200,000.00 (two hundred thousand dollars) from the CPA Undesignated Fund balance.



# CITY of BEVERLY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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February 11, 2022

Heather Richter, Chairperson c/o Denise Deschamps Beverly Community Preservation Committee 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

RE: CPA Special Out-of-Cycle Application Request

Dear Ms. Richter:

Enclosed please find a Pre-Application for a Special Out-of-Cycle Application to the Community Preservation Commission (CPC) for Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding for the acquisition of two parcels located on Simon Street in the Gloucester Crossing Neighborhood. As the members are aware, late last year the City was evaluating the potential purchase of two parcels being offered for sale by the Beverly Housing Authority (BHA) through a Request for Proposals (RFP). The Mayor mentioned to the CPC that we would likely make an out-of-cycle request to support this purchase. In late January, the BHA notified the City that we were the successful bidder for the two parcels located at 14 Simon Street and 34 Simon Street.

The City contemplates these two parcels will each be used as pocket-parks, with one more geared towards young children and including play equipment while the other will serve more passive recreational uses.

The CPC's Out-of-Cycle application process requests the applicant submit a written project narrative and supporting materials that demonstrate compliance with the Special Application Evaluation Criteria. Please find our response as follows:

1. The project must have undergone the Determination of Eligibility pre-application process with the CPC and determined eligible, and, if applicable the Determination of Historic Significance Determination process with the Historic District Commission and determined historically significant.

The City is requesting the CPC consider the Pre-Application Determination of Eligibility, the Special Out-of-Cycle Application, and the Full Application concurrently. Further, we respectfully ask the CPC to review these materials in one meeting, to the extent that the City has submitted a complete application and responded adequately to the CPCs questions. A Determination of Historic Significance is not applicable to this project.

2. Failure to secure CPA funding will create a high likelihood that the project will not be carried out for the benefit of the City, because the window of opportunity is of very short duration.

The City's ability to purchase these parcels is contingent upon the City securing CPC funding to support the acquisition. We are seeking the CPC to contribute 50% of the purchase price of the two parcels, which is \$200,000.

3. The proponents were unaware of the opportunity to undertake the project; or the proponent did not have the authority to identify such opportunity prior to the standard application deadline.

The BHA's RFP seeking bidders to purchase these two parcels was issued on November 8, 2021, which is after the CPC's October 28, 2021 Pre-Application deadline. The responses were due on January 12, 2021 and only thereafter evaluated by the BHA. During which time the City conducted an appraisal and other research into the potential acquisition. Therefore, it was impossible for the City to contemplate this CPC application within the standard timeframe.

4. The proponents have either: a) a letter of intent signed by the current owner of the real property expressing interest in selling to the applicant; or b) legal control of the property (i.e. an option, signed purchase and sale agreement or legal title).

The City has Letters of Intent from the BHA awarding the bids for each parcel to the City, dated January 26, 2022 (attached). These letters indicate that the BHA intends to promptly enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the City of Beverly and to sell the properties in question to the City of Beverly. These letters are included in lieu of a land owner signature on the application.

5. Appropriation of CPA funding is critical to the likelihood of success for the project.

The acquisition of these parcels is a unique opportunity. If not acquired by the City, these parcels could be sold and developed with housing. The Gloucester Crossing neighborhood is an Environmental Justice neighborhood due to the percentage of minority population. The chance to create and improve open space for this very densely populated and economically disadvantaged neighborhood is significant. CPC funding is critical to the City's ability to secure the purchase. This type of project is also in line with the mission and purpose of the CPA, providing an opportunity to serve a neighborhood that may not have previously benefited from CPA funds. The remaining \$200,000 will be paid with City funds, in

recognition of the high demand for limited funds available through the CPC. The Mayor proposes to split the funding so as not to overburden any one source of funds.

6. The project aligns with the goals of the various plans, which are relevant to and utilized by the City regarding Open Space, Recreation, Historic Resources and Affordable Housing.

This project aligns with the goals of the City's Open Space and Recreation Plan and the Master Plan, both of which included significant public input. Acquisition of these parcels meets Open Space and Environment Goal A5 of the 2020 Beverly Master Plan, which is "reclaim small vacant parcels for pocket parks and recreation areas." Preserving these two parcels is consistent with the 2016 Open Space and Recreation Plan Goal to "protect and acquire land in more urbanized areas of the City" including: pocket parks, urban gardens, and play areas. The Beverly Open Space and Recreation Committee (OSRC), which is made up of Beverly residents including a resident of this neighborhood, fully supports the preservation of the two Simon Street parcels as open space and has submitted a letter to the Mayor to this effect (enclosed with the application). Additionally, the City of Beverly's Community Preservation Plan, Fall 2018 Update (page 8) notes that the City's Open Space and Recreation Plan identifies six goals for open space protection and stewardship which include "protect and acquire land in more urbanized areas of the city (including downtown, Ryal Side, Goat Hill, and North Beverly)."

Real estate transactions like this often fall outside of the typical CPA Application schedule. Likewise, the BHA expects this transaction to occur as quickly as possible. Therefore we respectfully request you consider this Out-of-Cycle Application in the most expedient manner possible. The City and BHA would be grateful if the CPC can strive to consider the Pre-Application and Full Application in one meeting, or in as short order as practically feasible. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Darlene Wynne, AICP

Director of Planning & Development

cc:

Michael Cahill, Mayor

Bryant Ayles, Finance Director Stephanie Williams, City Solicitor

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### City of Beverly **Community Preservation Committee**

c/o Planning and Development Department Beverly City Hall, 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Staff Contact: Denise Deschamps

Email: ddeschamps@beverlyma.gov

Phone: 978-605-2356

CPC Website: https://www.beverlyma.gov/409/Community-Preservation-Committee

2021-2022 CPA PROJECT ELIGIBILITY PRE-AL	PPLICATION-OUT OF CYCLE PRE-APPLICATION
<u>Deadline</u> : This form must be s	submitted to the address above.
For HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROJECTS ONLY: The applican Significance to the Beverly Historic District Commission (HD past, The HDC Determination must be submitted on or before HDC".	nt must also apply for a Determination of Historical DC) unless such a Determination has been obtained in the ore <b>Noon on November 18</b> to the address above, "Attention
Act (CDA) funding. This form must be reviewed and approve	all proposed projects are eligible for Community Preservation ed by the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) before n. A determination of project eligibility by the CPC does not .
Project Title: Gloucester Crossing Pocket Parks	Date: <u>02/22/2022</u>
Project Location/Address: 14 and 34 Simon Street	
Name of Applicant:Michael P. Cahill, Mayor  Organization:City of Beverly  Contact Person:Darlene Wynne  Mailing Address: 191 Cabot Street, Beverly, MA 01915  Telephone:(978) 605-2341  Email:dwynne@beverlyma.gov  Please refer to the "Community Preservation Fund Allow categories and purposes when completing this section:	IF APPLICANT IS NOT THE OWNER:  Name of Owner: Beverly Housing Authority  Mailing Address: 137R Bridge Street, Beverly, MA 01915  Telephone: 978-922-3100  Email: Dawn Goodwin, Dgoodwin@beverlyhousing.net  (See Attached Award Letters for intent to sell to City)  able Spending Purposes" chart for CPA eligible project
CPA Category (check all that you believe apply):  Open Space Historic Preservation* Community Housing Recreation	Project Purpose (check all that you believe apply):  Acquisition Creation Preservation Support Rehabilitation/Restoration

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* Projects in this category must receive a Determination of Historic Significance from the Beverly HDC	

Estimated CPA Funding Request: \$200,000.00 Estimated Total Project Budget: \$511,000.00

**Project Summary:** In the space provided, please provide a brief description of the project. What will the proposed project accomplish? How does it meet the project category and purpose definitions shown on the "Community Preservation Fund Allowable Spending Purposes" chart?

In late January, the City of Beverly was awarded the right to acquire two undeveloped parcels which the Beverly Housing Authority is seeking to dispose. With this acquisition, the City of Beverly intends to create public open spaces at 14 Simon Street and 34 Simon Street by acquiring the parcels and preserving them as recreational space. Through several conversations between the City, Gloucester Crossing residents, and Ward Councilors, residents have expressed their strong desire to preserve these parcels as open space; they prefer the parcels not be made available for development. The City envisions 14 Simon Street as an open green space, with benches, landscaping, and picnic tables, to be used for passive recreation, social interactions, and relaxation, and 34 Simon Street as a recreation space for children, including a playground, benches, landscaping, and picnic tables. Residents determined 34 Simon Street is better situated for a playground since the parcel sits further back into the neighborhood and there is less concern of cars traveling fast from Cabot Street onto Simon Street.

The proposed project will provide needed recreation and open space in the Gloucester Crossing neighborhood. The entirety of Gloucester Crossing is designated an Environmental Justice community by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs based on minority population, and acquisition of these parcels aligns with City priorities to advance racial and social equity. Most Gloucester Crossing residents do not have a front yard or backyard and rely on walkable open spaces for their children to play, to sit and enjoy the benefits of nature, and for passive recreation. In the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic, these residents have been largely disadvantaged in comparison to other parts of Beverly when it comes to the walkable open spaces we all came to rely on. Living in one of the most densely populated neighborhoods in the City, and with very little private open space per lot, residents envision the formalization of these two parcels as recreational open space as creating additional opportunities for young children to play safely in view of their families. While these parks will be in close proximity to Gloucester Crossing residents, they will be open for public use and enjoyed by all Beverly residents who visit.

The City of Beverly is seeking \$200,000.00 from the CPA Fund to support the purchase of the two parcels from the Beverly Housing Authority. The remaining funds needed to both acquire the parcels and make improvements to the parcels, will be provided from other sources.

Applicant Signature:	For CPC Use: Eligible:	Not Eligible:	Date of Determination:	
	Applicant Signature:	Cfalh	Date: <u>z / /</u>	10/22



# **Beverly Housing Authority**



137 (Rear) Bridge Street Beverly, MA 01915 Phone: (978) 922-3100 Fax: (978) 921-2121

Equal Housing Opportunity

January 26, 2022

Mayor Michael P. Cahill City of Beverly 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

RE:

14 Simon Street, Beverly MA: Proposal for Acquisition by City of Beverly

Dear Mayor Cahill:

Please be advised that at the January 22, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Beverly Housing Authority, the Board voted to select the City of Beverly as the successful bidder for the purchase of the BHA's lot of real estate known and numbered as 14 Simon Street, Beverly, MA.

Thank you for your interest and participation in this solicitation process, and confirm that this award is subject to the parties' successfully entering into a mutually agreeable Purchase and Sale Agreement, in accordance with Section L of the RFP, which provides in pertinent part, that:

The Request for Proposals, and the proposal when accepted by the BHA, shall constitute an agreement for sale between the successful Proposer and the BHA. Such agreement shall constitute the whole contract to be succeeded only by the formal instruments of transfer, unless modified in writing and signed by both parties ....

A draft Purchase and Sale Agreement and a Deed will be forwarded to the City of Beverly, in care of Stephanie M. Williams, City Solicitor, by January 31, 2022.

We look forward to working with the City toward a successful conclusion of this transaction.

Very truly yours,

Debra A. Roy

**Executive Director** 

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137 (Rear) Bridge Street Beverly, MA 01915 Phone: (978) 922-3100 Fax: (978) 921-212

Equal Housing Opportunity

January 26, 2022

Mayor Michael P. Cahill City of Beverly 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

RE: 34 Simon Street, Beverly MA: Proposal for Acquisition by City of Beverly

Dear Mayor Cahill:

Please be advised that at the January 22, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Beverly Housing Authority, the Board voted to select the City of Beverly as the successful bidder for the purchase of the BHA's lot of real estate known and numbered as 34 Simon Street, Beverly, MA.

Thank you for your interest and participation in this solicitation process, and confirm that this award is subject to the parties' successfully entering into a mutually agreeable Purchase and Sale Agreement, in accordance with Section L of the RFP, which provides in pertinent part, that:

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### 2021-2022 CPA PROJECT FUNDING APPLICATION- 'OUT-OF-CYCLE" APPLICATION

<u>Deadline</u> : Ten double-sided copies and one electronic copy in PDF format of the application and supporting materials must be submitted to the address above.				
Section 1: General Information				
Project Title: Gloucester Crossing Pocket Parks  Project Location/Address: 14 and 34 Simon Street				
Name of Applicant:Darlene Wynne  Organization:City of Beverly  Contact Person:Darlene Wynne  Mailing Address: 191 Cabot Street, Beverly, MA 01915  Telephone:(978) 605-2341  Email:dwynne@beverlyma.gov	IF APPLICANT IS NOT THE OWNER:  Name of Owner: Beverly Housing Authority  Mailing Address: 137R Bridge Street, Beverly, MA 01915  Telephone: 978-922-3100  Email: Dawn Goodwin, Dgoodwin@beverlyhousing.net  (See Attached Award Letters for intent to sell to City)			

### Section 2: CPA Project Category and Purpose

Please CHECK all CPA Categories <u>and</u> Purposes that you believe apply to this project. Refer to the "Community Preservation Fund Allowable Spending Purposes" chart for definitions of CPA eligible project categories and purposes:

	CPA CATEGORY - OPEN SPACE
PU	RPOSES:
*	Acquisition
*	Creation
	Preservation
*	Rehabilitation/Restoration**

CPA CATEGORY - HISTORIC RESOURCES		
PU	IRPOSES:	
	Acquisition	
	Preservation	
	Rehabilitation/Restoration	

CPA CATEGORY - RECREATION		
PU	RPOSES:	
*	Acquisition	
*	Creation	
	Preservation	
*	Rehabilitation/Restoration	

CPA CATEGORY - COMMUNITY HOUSING			
PU	PURPOSES:		
	Acquisition		
	Creation		
	Preservation		
	Support		
	Rehabilitation/Restoration**		

<sup>\*\*</sup>If acquired with CPA funds

Section 3: Budget and Funding Request Summary Information			
Total Project Cost: \$ <u>511,000.00</u>			
CPA Funding Request as percentage of Total Project Cost: 39%			
Section 4: Project Narrative			

Please attach a detailed project narrative that addresses each of the following items. The narrative should not exceed 5 typed pages. Double-sides copies would be appreciated. The Community Preservation Fund Allowable Spending Purposes Chart and General and Category Specific Evaluation Criteria can be found in the 2021-2022 CPA Round 9 Application Process Information and Instructions document.

- a. **Project Description and Goals:** Please provide a thorough description of the project. What will the project accomplish? What goals will the project achieve?
- b. **CPA Eligibility:** Please describe how the project complies with the project categories and purposes you selected in Section 2. Please refer to the "Community Preservation Fund Allowable Spending Purposes" chart for definitions of CPA eligible project categories and purposes.
- c. **General and Category Specific Evaluation Criteria:** Please identify the General and Category Specific Evaluation Criteria that this project addresses. Briefly describe how your project addresses the criteria you have identified. Preference will be given to proposals that address multiple criteria.
- d. Community Need and Public Benefit: Please describe why the project is needed and how the community will benefit from this project. When developing your answer consider who in the community will directly benefit from the completed project and what resources will be protected because of this project.
- e. Applicant/Organization Background: Please provide a brief description of the applicant/organization's profile and project history. Explain the applicant/organization's ability and capacity to undertake and successfully execute the project. Where possible, highlight other projects of a similar scope and scale that the applicant/organization has successfully implemented.
- f. **Project Partners:** Please identify any partners involved in this project and describe the specific role the partner will play. Please attach commitment letters from funding partners, including in-kind service providers.
- g. Public Support: Please describe any public support or endorsements the project has received from community groups, organizations, municipal boards, committees, commissions, departments, and/or individual community members. Please attach letters of support or endorsement to demonstrate the public support you have described. Preference will be given to proposals that can demonstrate community support.
- h. Site Control: Do you as the applicant/organization currently own or control the project location?
  - If yes, please affirm control of the site in the project narrative and attach documentation that demonstrates ownership or control of the project location (e.g. Purchase and Sale Agreement, option, deed).
  - If no, please describe in detail the Owner's role and responsibilities related to this project. If the applicant/organization does not have site control, the Owner must co-sign the application and provide a written and signed confirmation of their project role and responsibilities.

[NOTE: If the property is owned or the project must be managed by the City of Beverly or another public entity, then Massachusetts General Laws related to procurement (purchasing) and federal health and labor standards apply. Please refer to Section VI. in the 2021-2022 CPA Round 9 Application Process Information and Instructions document for detailed information. It is important to understand these requirements as they may Impact your budget and project schedule.]

- i. Feasibility: List and explain all actions or steps that will be required for completion of the project (e.g. 21E environmental assessments; zoning, planning board, conservation commission permits and/or approvals; easements or restrictions; subordination agreements; etc.).
- j. Maintenance and Long-Term Preservation: What type of ongoing maintenance and upkeep will be required once the project is complete? Please identify the individual or entity that will be responsible for these activities and include detailed maintenance costs, if applicable, and funding and revenue sources, if any. Explain any specific guarantees that will assure long-term preservation of the project.
- k. Maps and Visual Materials:, Please attach plans, maps, photos, architectural drawings, specifications, or any other visual aids to help describe the project to the Committee (e.g. USGS topographic map, assessors map, GIS/aerial photo maps, photographs, renderings or design plans, etc.).

### Section 5: Project Budget

Please complete the Project Budget Form on Page 5 of this application.

- Under "Sources of Funding" identify all sources of funding you are pursuing for this project. Indicate the amount and status of each identified funding source (i.e. secured, requested, in-kind), including CPA funding.
- Please attach award letters, notifications, or letters of commitment for secured funding sources and inkind service providers.
- Under "Itemized Project Expenses" itemize all expenses associated with the project. Identify the amount of each expense and indicate if CPA funds will directly fund that expense.
- "Total Project Funding" should match "Total Project Cost".
- It is IMPORTANT to attach supporting documentation to substantiate identified costs. Applicants must obtain and attach professionally prepared quotes for project costs whenever possible. If such quotes are not available, a detailed cost estimate may be attached instead, provided that the basis of the estimate is fully and clearly explained.
- For Community Housing projects please also submit a development budget and a "sources and uses" budget. For home ownership projects, please include an affordability analysis. For housing rental projects, please include a five-year operating budget.

### Section 6: Project Schedule

Please complete the Project Schedule Form on Page 6 of this application.

 Identify and describe each significant step of the project, noting all project milestones, the date on which the step of the project will commence, and the anticipated project completion date.

### Section 7: Additional Information

If applicable and appropriate, additional information or supporting documentation should also be attached. If supporting documents total 10 pages or more, an electronic copy (PDF) of said documents must be provided. Supplemental information may include, but not be limited to:

- Natural resource features
- Historic structure report or existing conditions report
- For "Historic Resources" projects ONLY, the applicant must obtain a Determination of Historic Significance from the Beverly Historic District Commission.
- For projects involving construction, restoration, or rehabilitation, please include evidence that appropriate professional standards will be followed.
- Any other information the applicant considers important or useful in the Committee's evaluation of the proposal.

Section 8: Required	Applicant/Owner Signatures		
true and complete t  Applicant's Signatur	e:	Date:	mation set forth in this application is
	NOT THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY SIGN THIS APPLICATION.	'TO WHICH CPA FUND	DING WOULD BE APPLIED THEN THE
Owner's Signature:	See attached Award Letters	Date:	

# 2021-2022 CPA PROJECT FUNDING APPLICATION Project Budget Form

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Project Title: _	Gloucester Crossing Pocket Parks	
-	act Person: Darlene Wynne	
Applicant Orga	nization: <u>City of Beverly</u>	

SOURCES OF FUNDING				
Source	Amount	Percentage of Total Project Funding	Status (i.e. secured, requested, in- kind)	
Community Preservation Act Fund	\$200,000.00	39%	Requested (herein)	
City Funds	\$226,000.00	39%	To be requested concurrent with CPC appropriation request	
Land and Water Conservation Grant	\$85,000.00 - \$220,000.00	16% - 43%	Requested via Grant Application January 2022	
Total Project Funding:	\$511,000.00			

Expense	Amount*	To be funded by CPA? Y/N  Please refer to the "Allowable Spending  Purposes" chart
Purchase of 14 Simon Street, Parcel 30-186	\$200,000.00	Yes – 50%
Purchase of 34 Simon Street, Parcel 30-191	\$200,000.00	Yes - 50%
Playground Structure	\$60,000.00	No
Park benches (QTY: 8)	\$16,000.00	No
Picnic tables (QTY: 4)	\$14,000.00	. No
New fencing (at both parcels)	\$20,000.00	No
Bike racks (QTY: 4)	\$1,000.00	No
Total Project Cos	t: \$511,000.00	

<sup>\*</sup> Applicants must obtain and attach **professionally prepared quotes** for project costs whenever possible. If such quotes are not available, a detailed cost estimate may be attached instead, provided that the basis of the estimate is fully and clearly explained.

For Community Housing projects: Please also submit a development budget and a "sources and uses" budget. For home ownership projects, please include an affordability analysis. For housing rental projects, please include a five-year operating budget.

Please Note: If the project is approved, the applicant must agree to and sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Funds will be disbursed based on the conditions of the MOU executed as part of the project award.

# 2021-2022 CPA PROJECT FUNDING APPLICATION Project Schedule Form

Project Title:	Gloucester Crossing Pocket Parks	
<b>Applicant Cont</b>	act Person: Darlene Wynne	
<b>Applicant Orga</b>	nization: <u>City of Beverly</u>	

Please provide a project timeline below. Identify and describe each significant step of the project, noting all project milestones, the date on which this step of the project will commence, and the anticipated project completion date.

The following schedule is contingent on the CPC reviewing the full application at its February 17, 2022 meeting and highlights the need for prompt review in order to achieve a prompt closing. If the CPC cannot reach a recommendation at this meeting, we respectfully request a special meeting scheduled.

	Estimated Date	Activity
Project Start	February 21 <sup>st</sup>	CPC Recommendation heard by City Council to schedule public
		hearing.
	March 7 <sup>th</sup>	City Council public hearing / Vote on request
	April 26th, or earlier	Closing deadline – by this time we will have drafted a Purchase
	(90 days from award	and Sale Agreement, drafted the deed, identified the CR
	letter)	holder, and compiled other closing related documents
Project Milestone	May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Order parks and landscaping materials
		Initiate site work, including removal of impervious surfaces, re-
		grading, and sodding where necessary.
		Pour in place rubber safety surfacing for the play structure at
		34 Simon Street.
		(Date dependent on weather)
	Late Spring	Notification of Land and Water Conservation Grant, which
		determines scope of playground equipment to be installed
		Order other equipment, not related to above
50% Completion	June 10th	Landscaping near completion, such as tree and shrub planting.
•		Waiting for materials and park structures to be delivered (date
		dependent upon supply chain availability)
		Order playground equipment and other furniture
Project Milestone	August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Install park structures and equipment, such as playground, bike
		racks, fencing, benches, and tables (date dependent upon
	,	supply chain availability)
		Install sidewalk and granite curbing to recreate the street edge
		consistent with existing sidewalk. (Head in parking will be
		removed and replaced with on-street parking).
	August - September	Draft and negotiate Conservation Restriction.
	2022	
Project Completion	October 2022	Safety checks on park equipment is complete. Red ribbon
		cutting.
		Finalize and record the Conservation Restriction (preferred to
		occur after the renovations are complete so as to accurately
		capture future uses).

Please Note: If the project is approved, the applicant must agree to and sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Funds will be disbursed based on the conditions of the MOU executed as part of the project award.

Appli	cation	Materials Checklist
✓	Comp	leted CPA Funding Application form, including:
	· <	Project Narrative
		Project Budget Form
	✓	Project Schedule Form
		·
	<b>✓</b>	Applicant's Signature
	✓	Owner's Signature (If the applicant is not the owner of the property to which CPA funding would be applied) *See Award Letters. Will obtain signature if preferred.
✓	Suppo	rting Documentation, including but limited to:
	✓	Professionally prepared quotes for project costs OR detailed cost estimates – N/A
	✓	Commitment letters from funding partners, including in-kind service providers – Forthcoming
		from ECGA
	✓	Letters of support or endorsement from community groups, organizations, municipal boards,
		committees, commissions, departments, and/or individual community members - Forthcoming
	✓	Evidence of Site Control
		<ul> <li>Purchase and Sale Agreement, option, deed; OR</li> <li>Owner's written and signed confirmation describing their project role and responsibilities</li> </ul>
	✓ Ma	aps/Visual Materials, including but not limited to:
		☐ Plans
		<ul><li>Maps (USGS topographic map, assessors map, GIS/aerial photo maps)</li><li>Photos</li></ul>
		☐ Architectural drawings/Renderings/Design plans
	✓ Ad	ditional Materials, including but not limited to:
	. 710	Historic structure report or existing conditions report
		☐ For Historic Resources projects - Determination of Historic Significance from the
		Beverly Historic District Commission -
		For projects involving construction, restoration, or rehabilitation - Evidence that appropriate professional standards will be followed -
		For Community Housing projects - Development budget and a "sources and uses"
		budget.
		☐ For Community Housing/Home Ownership projects - Affordability analysis
		☐ For Community Housing/Housing Rental projects - Five-year operating budget

### **Project Narrative**

### A. Project Description and Goals:

The City of Beverly intends to create public open spaces at 14 Simon Street and 34 Simon Street by acquiring the parcels and preserving them as open space. Through several conversations between the City, Gloucester Crossing residents, and Ward Councilors, residents have expressed a strong desire to preserve these parcels as open space; they prefer the parcels not be made available for development. The City envisions 14 Simon Street as an open green space, with benches, landscaping, and picnic tables, to be used for passive recreation, social interactions, and relaxation, and 34 Simon Street as a recreation space for children, including a playground, benches, landscaping, and picnic tables. Dependent upon a Massachusetts Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant award, the City intends to install an ADA accessible Boundless play structure at the 34 Simon Street lot, and ADA accessible landscaping to both 14 and 34 Simon Street. Residents determined 34 Simon Street is better situated for a playground since the parcel sits further back into the neighborhood and there is less concern of cars traveling fast from Cabot Street onto Simon Street.

The proposed project will provide needed recreation and open space in the Gloucester Crossing neighborhood. Most Gloucester Crossing residents do not have a front yard or backyard and rely on walkable open spaces for their children to play, to sit and enjoy the benefits of nature, and for passive recreation. In the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic, these residents have been largely disadvantaged in comparison to other parts of Beverly when it comes to the walkable open spaces we all came to rely on. The entirety of Gloucester Crossing is designated an Environmental Justice community by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs based on minority population, and it is a priority to the City to advance racial and social equity. Living in one of the most densely populated neighborhoods in the City, and with very little private open space per lot, residents envision these parcels as creating additional opportunities for young children to play safely in view of their families. While these parks will be in close proximity to Gloucester Crossing residents, they will be open for public use and enjoyed by all Beverly residents who visit.

The City of Beverly is seeking \$200,000.00 from the CPA Fund to support the purchase of the two parcels from the Beverly Housing Authority. The remaining funds needed to both acquire the parcels and make improvements to the parcels, will be provided from other sources.

### B. CPA Eligibility:

The project complies with two categories defined in the Community Preservation Fund Allowable Spending Purposes Chart, Open Space and Recreational Land. Both parcels of land, 14 Simon Street and 34 Simon Street, currently undeveloped, will be acquired through purchase and rehabilitated in order to create two new pocket parks for recreational use. 14 Simon Street will be used for passive recreation including walking, relaxation, and wildlife and nature viewing, whereas 34 Simon Street will be used for active recreation with the addition of a playground.

### C. General and Category Specific Evaluation Criteria:

This project addresses multiple General Evaluation Criteria set by the Community Preservation Committee. The project is consistent with Beverly's 2016 Open Space and Recreation Plan goal to

increase open space and recreation opportunities in the more urbanized areas of the City. The City of Beverly's Community Preservation Plan, Fall 2018 Update (page 8) notes the six goals for open space protection and stewardship including this goal. Additionally, Beverly's recently updated Master Plan, PlanBeverly, which identifies a goal to preserve, enhance, and better connect Beverly's existing open space network for all citizens by reclaiming small vacant parcels for pocket parks and recreation areas.

The project will be receiving partial funding through other sources, and through collaboration between the City's Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department, and Department of Public Services, will be implemented within budget and on schedule. The addition of pocket parks in the Gloucester Crossing neighborhood enhances the essential character of Beverly, and enhances the quality of life for Gloucester Crossing residents and the broader Beverly community. In a letter to Mayor Cahill dated July 13, 2021, Beverly's Open Space and Recreation Committee endorsed the creation of pocket parks at the two identified locations on Simon Street. Additionally, the City has held multiple meetings with residents and City Councilors to discuss their needs and their vision for the two spaces on Simon Street. Implementation of the project will not adversely impact other categories listed on the Community Preservation Fund Allowable Spending Purposes Chart.

This project also addresses multiple Category Specific Evaluation Criteria set by the Community Preservation Committee, for both Open Space and Recreation. The project involves acquiring land to provide publicly accessible opportunities for passive and active recreation. Recreational uses will be for a wide range of users, as one pocket park will be catered more towards families and children with a playground, and the other will cater to all age groups as it will be a green space with benches and landscaping. The City has applied for a LWCF grant to fund the installation of an ADA accessible playground at 34 Simon Street. The proposed recreational uses promote healthy and active lifestyles for residents.

### D. Community Need and Public Benefit:

The entirety of Gloucester Crossing is designated an Environmental Justice Neighborhood by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs based on minority population. It is of utmost importance to the City to advance racial and social equity. Through several conversations between the City and Gloucester Crossing residents, residents have expressed their desire to preserve these parcels as open space. These properties had been used as neighborhood parks until recently. Living in one of the most densely populated neighborhoods in the City, and with very little private open space per lot, residents envision these spaces as creating additional opportunities for young children to play safely in view of their families. Additionally, residents have expressed concerns about the potential increase in traffic in the already densely populated neighborhood should these parcels be developed. Most residents rely on on-street parking, which is increasingly hard to come by.

Additionally, the community has seen a need for more walkable open space and recreation areas over the last two years. The Covid-19 pandemic brought on, among many things, increased use of outdoor open spaces across the nation, including right here in Beverly. Walking to open spaces became so popular, the City had to direct sidewalk traffic in some areas. Bordered between the commuter rail line and major thoroughfares, Gloucester Crossing residents are largely disadvantaged in comparison to other parts of Beverly when it comes to safe, walkable open spaces. Most Gloucester Crossing residents do not have a front yard or backyard and rely on walkable open spaces for their children to play, to sit and enjoy the benefits of nature, and for passive recreation. Protecting this parcel of land from

development is a step towards meeting the undeniable needs of Gloucester Crossing residents.

The broader public will benefit from the Simon Street parcels being preserved as open space for a number of reasons. Green space, as opposed to a developed parcel, alleviates stormwater runoff by providing space for rainwater to infiltrate. This sends cleaner water to our waterways and sewer systems. Additionally, green space as opposed to a developed parcel or impervious surface, provides cooler temperature, alleviating the urban heat island effect which greatly impacts urban residents. Lastly, while this parcel is in close proximity to Gloucester Crossing residents, it will be open for public use and enjoyed by all Beverly residents who visit.

### E. Applicant/Organization Background:

The City of Beverly historically and currently has managed numerous passive and active recreation spaces around the City. The City employs a proactive maintenance program to ensure well-kept green spaces that offer safe and reliable recreation. This management is coordinated among the Recreation and Public Services departments. A recent example of a property acquisition for public recreation is the Camp Paradise property which the City acquired through a combination of CPA funding, City resources, and state grant funds. The property is currently comanaged by the Recreation and Public Services departments and has proven to be a valued resource for our community. Beverly's Public Services Department (particularly the parks unit) employs arborists, landscapers, and grounds crew of a high professional standard. Beverly takes much pride in the beauty and usability of its open spaces and these parcels would be no different. The City of Beverly is a municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

### F. Project Partners:

The applicant is the City of Beverly. In addition to City Departments, partners include the Gloucester Crossing neighborhood as represented by the current Ward 3 City Councilor Steven Crowley and former Ward 3 City Councilor Stacy Ames (letters of support are expected). The City has also sought partners to hold the Conservation Restriction. Essex County Greenbelt Association (ECGA) is very interested in working with the City and is reviewing this prospect with their decision-making body. They don't expect this decision to be finalized by the time of this application. ECGA is a familiar, well-established steward of open space and holds multiple Conservation Restrictions or owns land outright in Beverly.

### G. Public Support:

In a letter to Mayor Cahill dated July 13, 2021, Beverly's Open Space and Recreation Committee endorsed the creation of pocket parks at the two identified locations on Simon Street (attached). The Open Space and Recreation Committee is comprised of Ward-specific and City-at-large representatives. The Beverly Conservation Commission submitted a letter dated February 10, 2022 expressing their support for this CPC Application (attached). Additionally, the City has had ongoing conversations with Gloucester Crossing residents as well as former Ward 3 City Councilor Stacey Ames, and current Ward 3 City Councilor Steven Crowley. The Gloucester Crossing neighborhood has endorsed the preservation of these parcels as open space and the creation of pocket parks. Additionally, there have been a few Salem News articles in the last few months related to these properties. Letters of support from Councilor Crowley and former Councilor Ames are expected.

### H. Site Control:

The City has Letters of Intent from the BHA awarding the bids for each parcel to the City, dated January 26, 2022 (attached). These letters indicate that the BHA intends to promptly enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the City of Beverly and to sell the properties in question to the City of Beverly. These letters are included in lieu of a land owner signature on the application.

### I. Feasibility:

No permits or regulatory approvals will be required for the proposed use as a community park. Steps required for completion of the project will not happen sequentially. The following tasks will be done for completion of the project: soil testing, drafting a Purchase and Sale Agreement, identifying a Conservation Restriction (CR) holding, drafting a CR, and drafting the deed and compiling related closing documents. Upon receiving a recommendation from the CPC, a request for funding will be submitted to the City Council, which will hold a public hearing. Assuming that funding is approved, we will pick a closing date and proceed with the closing of the properties.

Essex County Greenbelt Association (ECGA) has expressed an interest in holding the CR, as they also look to achieve more social equity and expand their land holdings in underserved areas. Following the closing of the properties will be the purchase and installation of landscaping and park equipment and materials. ECGA prefers to finalize and record the CR after completion of renovations to the park so that all uses are adequately considered in the restriction.

### J. Maintenance and Long-Term Preservation:

The City employs a proactive maintenance program to ensure well-kept green spaces that offer safe and reliable recreation. This management is coordinated among the Recreation and Public Service departments. Beverly's Public Service Department (particularly the parks unit) employs arborists, landscapers, and grounds crew of a high professional standard. They, along with the Recreation Department will be responsible for carrying out general maintenance of park equipment and landscaping. The City is working with Essex County Greenbelt Association (ECGA) on a CR, which will assure long-term preservation of the properties

### K. Maps and Visual Materials:

Please see attached photos referencing the location of the two parcels and existing conditions, as well as a photo of Pete's Park which provides an example of the type of play structure the City intends to install.



# **Beverly Housing Authority**

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137 (Rear) Bridge Street Beverly, MA 01915 Phone: (978) 922-3100 Fax: (978) 921-2121

Equal Housing Opportunity

January 26, 2022

Mayor Michael P. Cahill City of Beverly 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

RE: 14 Simon Street, Beverly MA: Proposal for Acquisition by City of Beverly

Dear Mayor Cahill:

Please be advised that at the January 22, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Beverly Housing Authority, the Board voted to select the City of Beverly as the successful bidder for the purchase of the BHA's lot of real estate known and numbered as 14 Simon Street, Beverly, MA.

Thank you for your interest and participation in this solicitation process, and confirm that this award is subject to the parties' successfully entering into a mutually agreeable Purchase and Sale Agreement, in accordance with Section L of the RFP, which provides in pertinent part, that:

The Request for Proposals, and the proposal when accepted by the BHA, shall constitute an agreement for sale between the successful Proposer and the BHA. Such agreement shall constitute the whole contract to be succeeded only by the formal instruments of transfer, unless modified in writing and signed by both parties ....

A draft Purchase and Sale Agreement and a Deed will be forwarded to the City of Beverly, in care of Stephanie M. Williams, City Solicitor, by January 31, 2022.

We look forward to working with the City toward a successful conclusion of this transaction.

Very truly yours,

Debra A. Roy

Executive Director

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January 26, 2022

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RE: 34 Simon Street, Beverly MA: Proposal for Acquisition by City of Beverly

Dear Mayor Cahill:

Please be advised that at the January 22, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Beverly Housing Authority, the Board voted to select the City of Beverly as the successful bidder for the purchase of the BHA's lot of real estate known and numbered as 34 Simon Street, Beverly, MA.

Thank you for your interest and participation in this solicitation process, and confirm that this award is subject to the parties' successfully entering into a mutually agreeable Purchase and Sale Agreement, in accordance with Section L of the RFP, which provides in pertinent part, that:

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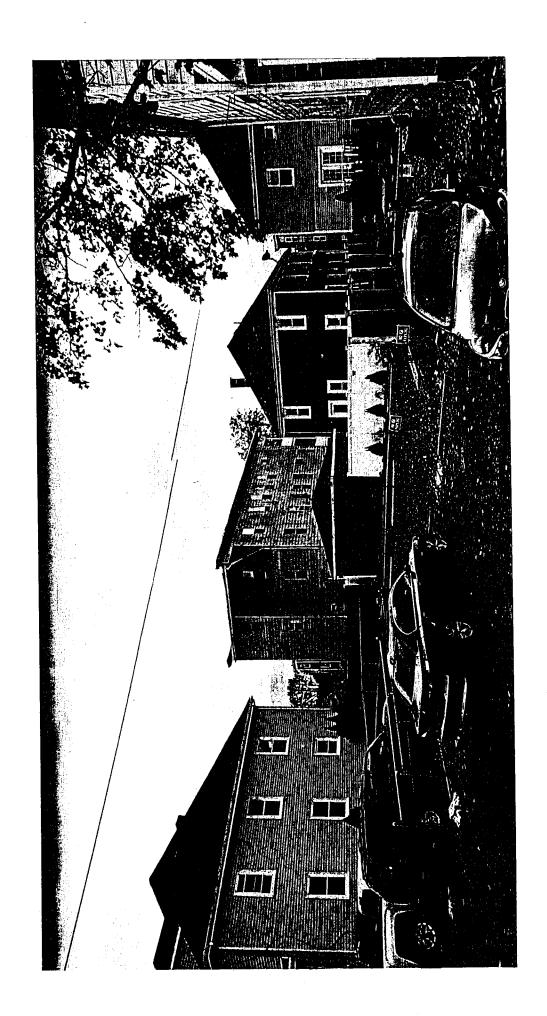
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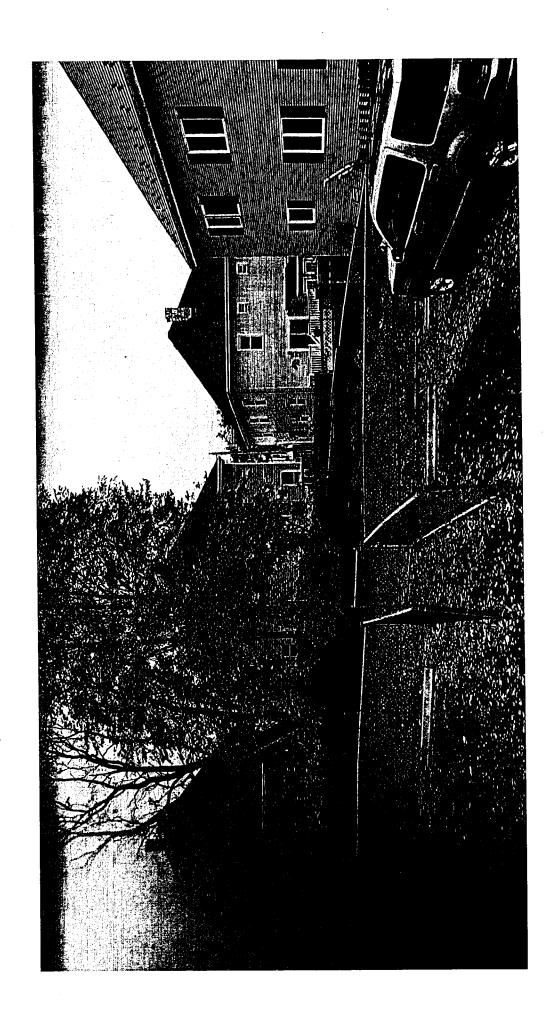


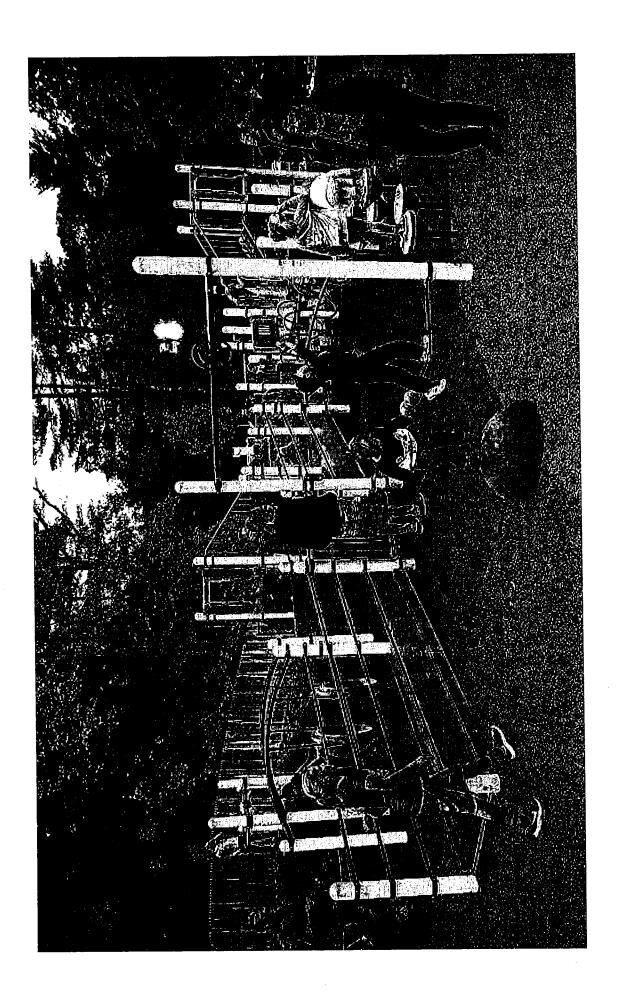
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# Aerial Map of Locations











# CITY of BEVERLY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

191 Cabot Street Beverly, Massachusetts 01915 Phone (978) 921-6000 Fax (978) 921-6187

Mayor Michael P. Cahill

Chairperson Christine Bertoni

Vice Chairperson Robert Buchsbaum

February 10, 2022

Community Preservation Committee c/o Heather Richter, Chair 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

RE: Simon Street parcels acquisition

Dear Ms. Richter and Members of the Committee:

Members David Alden- St. Pierre Meghan Jones William Squibb

VIA B-MAIL RECEIVED OF SEVERLY OF

At the February 8, 2022 Conservation Commission meeting, we discussed the prospect of protecting two parcels of land on Simon Street (Map 30 Lots 186 and 191), which are currently vacant and owned by the Beverly Housing Authority. We understand that the Planning Department is working on an application to the Community Preservation Committee for funds to support City acquisition of these two parcels. These two lots are small, but are located in an already densely developed area, and their acquisition could provide valuable green spaces for local residents of the Gloucester Crossing neighborhood. The Commission believes that the protection of these parcels as "pocket parks" to serve as community garden or other green space would be a worthy use, rather than redevelopment into additional multifamily housing, where little green space exists currently. The Conservation Commission's purpose is to protect, promote, and enhance the quantity and quality of the natural resources within the City, and this acquisition for use as protected green space would further this mission.

If you have questions of concerns regarding this letter, please contact Jenna Pirrotta in the Planning Department at jpirrotta@beverlyma.gov or (978) 605-2345.

For the Commission,

Christine Bertoni Commission Chair

cc:

Mayor Michael Cahill

Darlene Wynne, Director of Planning and Community Development

Denise Deschamps, Economic Planner

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# CITY of BEVERLY OPEN SPACE & RECREATION COMMITTEE

191 Cabot Street Beverly, Massachusetts 01915 Phone (978) 921-6000 Fax (978) 921-6187

Mayor Michael P. Cahill

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David Brewster
Todd Callaghan
Alison Dudley
Elizabeth Dunne

Charles Mann Marilyn McCrory Wayne Miller Gregory Sharp

July 13, 2021

Mayor Michael Cahill City Hall 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

**RE:** Simon Street Parcels

Dear Mayor Cahill:

At recent OSRC meetings, we discussed the prospect of protecting two parcels of land on Simon Street (30-186, 30-191) which are currently vacant and owned by the Beverly Housing Authority. These two lots are small, but in an already densely populated area, could provide valuable green spaces for local residents of Gloucester Crossing.

We on the Committee feel that all options within Environmental Justice communities be given the special attention they deserve, and with the strong neighborhood support, pocket parks for a small community garden or even just some benches under a shade tree would be far more welcome than any other type of development.

Acquiring and protecting land for the enjoyment of Beverly's residents falls within the mission of the OSRC and we support any efforts to help bring this to fruition.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact Chelsea Zakas in the Planning Department at <a href="mailto:czakas@beverlyma.gov">czakas@beverlyma.gov</a> or (978) 605-2346.

Sincerely,

David Alden - St. Pierre

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Chair, Beverly Open Space and Recreation Committee

CC: File

Darlene Wynne, Planning Director Jenna Pirrotta, Environmental Planner February 16, 2022

Heather Richter, Chair Beverly Community Preservation Committee 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

VIA Email

Re: Gloucester Crossing Pocket Parks, 14 and 34 Simon Street

Dear Chair Richter,

On behalf of the Essex County Greenbelt Association (Greenbelt), I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the *Gloucester Crossing Pocket Parks* project presented by Mayor Michael Cahill on behalf of the City.

The opportunity to acquire and develop much-needed play space in the Gloucester Crossing neighborhood is one that the City should embrace. Access to walkable parks and open space is critically important for the health and wellbeing of all people, and the City's plan for these two parcels is worthy of support.

Greenbelt has been asked whether we would hold a Conservation Restriction on the two parcels, as would be required if Community Preservation Act funds are authorized. While we do not yet have a Board vote on that question, Greenbelt staff are taking the steps to evaluate the opportunity, and we expect to receive the endorsement of our Board of Directors. Our Land Protection Committee has already given us some positive feedback on this opportunity.

We very much value the partnership we have had with Beverly over years, and we are eager to help support this latest endeavor. We will continue to communicate with City staff and the Mayor on the progress of our discussions regarding holding a Conservation Restriction.

I can be reached at 978-768-7241 x11 or <a href="mailto:kbowditch@ecga.org">kbowditch@ecga.org</a> if you have any questions or concerns.

Kate Bowditch

President

Cc: Mayor Cahill

Darlene Wynne, Director of Planning and Community Development

Conserving local farmland, wildlife habitat, and scenic landscapes since 1961.



February 15, 2022

Ms. Darlene Wynne, AICP Ms. Heather Richter City of Beverly 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Heather and Darlene,

I am writing in 100% support of the CPC/City of Beverly proposal to purchase two Simon Street lots from the Beverly Housing Authority.

The Gloucester Crossing neighborhood of Beverly is a designated environmental justice area. They are dedicated homeowners and renters, concerned citizens who take pride in their neighborhoods and seek to improve the area. There is very limited green space and many do not have backyards or have limited green space for their children to play, families to enjoy the outdoors, and space to gather as neighbors, that is safe and not on the street. The Gloucester Crossing area residents feel put on the back burner by identifying as living in this area of the city, previously known as a dangerous part of town.

This is also personal for me as I have had family and friends whom have grown up in these neighborhoods. I can remember when my cousins, nieces and nephews used these lots playing Tag, Duck Duck goose etc. In the past kids were able to enjoy playing games in the park with their families nearby for supervision. Teenagers were able to hang out on benches off of the street and mingle. These lots were often utilized and preservation of these lots as open space will improve the quality of life for residents on the street and our community.

The Purchase and Creation of usable parks on the Simon Street Properties will provide be an essential environmental, aesthetic, and recreation benefits throughout this neighborhood. They will also be also a source of positive economic benefits. They would enhance property values, and, attract renters, homebuyers and workers. Benefits are they would provide a place family to connect with nature and recreate outdoors. These parcels would also afford the opportunity for children to practice skills that will ultimately play a role in adult competencies such as the ability to collaborate with others, develop decision making skills, and successfully take on leadership roles, persevere in the face of distractions, and generate creative ideas.

I am confident the purchase and preservation of these two parcels are vital to improving quality of life and community on Simon Street, Gloucester Crossing and the City.

Please feel free to contact me with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Steven Crowley Ward 3 City Councilor 978-578-0889

CC: Michael Cahill, Mayor Darlene Wynne, Planning Director February 14, 2022

Ms. Darlene Wynne, AICP Ms. Heather Richter City of Beverly 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Dear Heather and Darlene,

I am writing in support of the CPC/City of Beverly proposal to purchase two lots from the Beverly Housing Authority. This project is critical for the people who live in this neighborhood.

We all want government to work well for every resident and business in Beverly. As a former City Councilor, I understand first hand how challenging it is to make this happen. Gloucester Crossing is traditionally one section of Beverly with decrepit infrastructure (streets, sidewalks and parks), the least open space for recreation, and the least neighborhood resources to make constructive improvements.

At the same time, it is one of our most diverse neighborhoods, with families who have lived in Gloucester Crossing for generations as well as people new to our city. There are single and multifamily homes, affordable housing, BHA properties and shelters. Most of these dwellings offer minimal or nonexistent outdoor space. Most parents feel it is not safe to send their children alone to Holcroft Park.

As these lots have traditionally been utilized as open space by the neighbors, Simon Street offers Beverly the opportunity to build upon a strong community network of people who have enjoyed and maintained these lots for generations. This is a winwin opportunity for the City. It can demonstrate how government can work to improve their quality of life. Simon Street proves that self-advocacy can work, empowering people who most often don't vote or participate in the political and governing process.

I believe this project will have several meaningful outcomes.

- 1. **Enrich Neighborhood Lives.** These lots will provide safe spaces for children to play and neighbors to get to know each other in a community that lacks this space.
- 2. **Empower the Community.** This neighborhood has traditionally used one lot as a play area, and this project ensures they get that self-determination of their neighborhood space. The second lot gives them the opportunity to create community space that works for them.
- 3. **Build a Safer Neighborhood**. Safe parks on Simon Street will build confidence and support for re-imagining Holcroft Park from a community perspective. It is first step for Gloucester Crossing residents to come

- together and have discussions about their hopes and needs. Bottom up leadership has the best chance to create positive change.
- 4. **Support our Equity and Inclusion Commitments.** This project is a practical step to level the playing field for Gloucester Crossing residents. These parks could offer programming and resources to further support many residents who have the most need.
- 5. Amplify Community Wide Support. Simon Street has support across Beverly because we all understand and hope to create opportunity for everyone. This is a unique project as it serves people with the least resources and demonstrates how we can and want to be more fair and just. We recognize the reality that residents in Gloucester Crossing were most severely impacted by Covid, systemic racism and poverty. All of us in Beverly want to pull together to make more equitable choices. This is a pro-active step for Beverly to start to heal a deep wound together.

Personally, I plan to continue to support open space in Gloucester Crossing. I have enjoyed getting to know the people who live there and can see opportunities for me to support and amplify their efforts. I appreciate the support from the Administration and the BHA to put this together. It has been a collaborative experience.

Please feel free to contact me with questions or comments. Thanks for letting me submit this letter of support for the Simon Street project. Together we can make equitable, positive change to create a happier and healthier community.

Respectfully,

Stacy Ames

3 Prospect Street Beverly, MA 01915

978-295-0050

Ward 3 City Councilor 2020-21

February 16, 2022

Community Preservation Committee

RE: Funding Support for the City's Purchase of Simon Street Parcels

To Whom it May Concern:

We are writing today in strong favor of the City's proposal to purchase and protect two parcels of land on Simon Street (30-186, 30-191) which are currently vacant and owned by the Beverly Housing Authority.

We have lived in the Gloucester Crossing neighborhood for twelve years. For nine of those years we had no outdoor space of our own. We now have a tiny yard. There isn't much space. But most of our neighbors aren't even that lucky. This is a neighborhood full of families. Many with low incomes. And we are surrounded by concrete.

Public green space is SO important for this neighborhood. A place for kids to play safely. A place for neighbors to meet and build community. Whether these spaces become playgrounds, gardens or gathering spaces, it is imperative that they are community green spaces. This only happens with the CPC's crucial funding support.

So, please, support the City's applications to purchase these important parcels and improve the daily quality of life for the residents of Gloucester Crossing.

Sincerely,

Amanda and John Walter 6 Simon Street 978-489-8025 (Amanda) February 14, 2022

Community Preservation Committee c/o Heather Richter, Chair

RE: Funding Support for the City's Purchase of Simon Street Parcels

Dear Heather:

We write to you today in strong favor of the City's proposal to purchase and protect two parcels of land on Simon Street (30-186, 30-191) which are currently vacant and owned by the Beverly Housing Authority.

While modest in size, these lots are incredibly important to the residents of Simon Street, and to all of Gloucester Crossing, as green spaces and community gathering spaces. This neighborhood is surrounded by much more concrete and asphalt than greenery; in fact, it is an Environmental Justice area. This neighborhood is densely populated, and a significant number of Simon Street residents live in rental units (with building owners who do not live in Beverly) with little to no backyards to speak of. In many cases, if there is a side or backyard, it is again, mostly if not completely asphalt.

Whether these "pocket parks" in the end become community gardens, young children's playgrounds, or simply additional green gathering space for neighbors to enjoy one another's company in safety on a congested street, this reality only happens with the CPC's crucial funding support.

Just as we have helped rally our neighbors around shared fondness for our modest yet deserving and promising Gloucester Crossing community, we have already engaged many existing and potential stakeholders in conversations around ways to fund the actual development of these properties once secured by the City, and how to ensure there are reserve funds to ensure the long-term sustainability of these parcels as safe, attractive and beneficial community-use green spaces.

It is here on Valentine's Day that we express our sincerest hope that the CPC shows its love and a favorable disposition toward the City's applications to purchase these important parcels and improve the daily quality of life for a myriad of Beverly's most deserving residents.

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Alison and John Dudley
Owners/residents of 7 Beckford Street
413-575-0231 (Alison) and 617-791-1001 (John)
Ward 3 Representative, Beverly Open Space and Recreation Committee (Alison)

CC: Michael Cahill, Mayor Steve Crowley, Ward 3 Councilor Darlene Wynne, Planning Director



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Salem YMCA

One Sewall Street Salem, MA 01970 978.744.0351 February 16, 2022

Darlene Wynne, Planning Director City Hall 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA. 01915

**RE: Simon Street Parcels** 

Dear Darlene:

Beverly's approval to purchase the Simon Street lots from the Housing Authority is fantastic news!

These parcels of land offer some exciting possibilities for enhancing the Gloucester Crossing neighborhood and the lives of the families residing within it.

On behalf of the Greater Beverly YMCA Board of Directors, I am offering our support for efforts to acquire and preserve these parcels for any of a variety of green space types. These green spaces would be incredibly valuable to this neighborhood in our community.

The Greater Beverly YMCA has partnered with Mayor Michael Cahill and the City of Beverly in many successful community projects that support our mission: To Build a Better Community. Our Board is proud to support the Simon Street Properties purchase and usage.

Regards,

care missioners

Carol M Townsend

Chair, Greater Beverly YMCA Board of Directors

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49 Bellevue Avenue Newport, RI 02840 (401) 236-0360 foth.com

February 15th, 2022

City Hall 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915

Attn: Beverly City Council, MEPA Coordinator

Re: Notice of Project Change – EEA No. 16145

Dear MEPA Coordinator:

Foth is submitting this Notice of Project Change (NPC) to MEPA Certificate 16145 issued on March 27, 2020, to Endicott College. Further consultation with Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management (MACZM) has resulted in the recommendation to remove additional vertical wall from the project and replace it with an armored stone revetment to improve long-term resiliency. This change is possible as the existing Beach House, which immediately abuts the existing wall, will be demolished and not replaced within its current footprint. Due to the high rock ledge, a small vertical concrete wall is still necessary to hold the toe of the stone revetment as shown in Figure 2. This NPC's scope is limited to 315 linear feet out of the approximately 1,078 linear feet reviewed under ENF Certificate 16145.

Figure 1 below illustrates the original design involving a vertical concrete seawall constructed to elevation 22.0 NAVD88 and Figure 2 illustrates the revised section. The Beach House structure is being demolished and not replaced under the revised design and will remove a non-conforming structure from the V-Zone. The revised project does not anticipate any change in construction methodology, material type, or storm damage protection than what was previously revised, however, Foth has coordinated an eelgrass monitoring plan with the EPA and MACZM which is included as an appendix to this application.

With respects to the factors listed in 301 CMR 11.10 (6):

a & b: The consultation with MACZM and the retreat of the beach house has developed into a newly proposed armor stone revetment which has rightfully caused an increase in coastal resource area impacts. Although the impact areas have increased, the design allows for better storm protection with increased crest heights and reduces the chance of coastal erosion compared to the previously proposed vertical seawall. Permanent impacts (including coastal bank) can be summerize as followed, coastal beach by approximately 30.5%, coastal bank by 31%, has taken rocky intertidal impacts from 0 to 170 SF, and land subject to coastal storm flowage by 44%. The table below summarized the impacts from the previously approved ENF 16145 and the proposed NPC.

Resource Area Summary ENF 16145 vs. NOPC

Total Coastal Resource Area Impacts (Area A, B, & C) Revised January 27, 2022					
Resource Areas	Original Impact Areas	Revised Impact Areas	Change		
Coastal Beach Permanent Impacts	11,370	14,840	3,470	SF	
Coastal Beach Temporary Impacts (30ft along face)	18,818	22,762	3,944	SF	
Coastal Bank (non-man made)	740LF (8,628 SF)	973LF (12,880 SF)	233 (4,252 SF)	LF	
Roky Intertidal Permanent Impacts	0	170	170	SF	
Rocky Intertidal Temporary Impacts (30 ft along face)	3,780	4,240	460	SF	
LSCSF	11,604	16,790	5,186	SF	

c: The change in project commencement is anticipated to be Summer of 2022. This delay can be attributed to the change of design from the MACZM comments and the proponent's reconsideration of the removal of the Beach House.

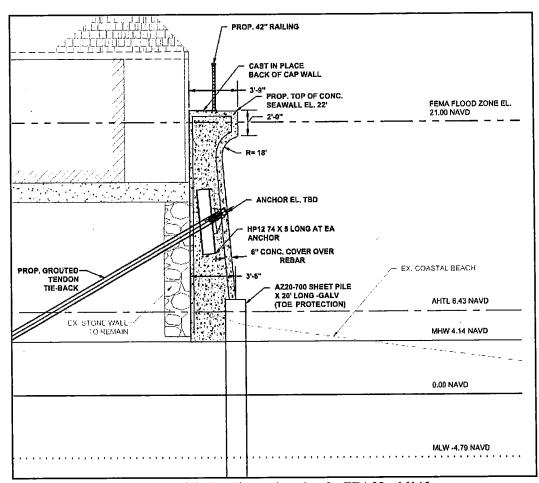


Figure 1: Original section reviewed under EEA No. 16145

Mark R. Rielly
Asst. General Counsel & Director

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February 11, 2022

Via email & hand delivery

Lisa Kent, City Clerk 191 Cabot Street Beverly, MA 01915



Re: New England Power Company Petition for Transmission Line Franchise

Dear Clerk Kent:

Enclosed please find the Petition of New England Power Company ("Company") for an electric transmission line franchise (a.k.a. grant of location) in accordance with G.L. c. 166, §§ 21-22. This Petition is submitted together with an accompanying plan and proposed order. The Company respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the agenda for the next available meeting of the City Council.

G.L. c. 166, § 22 requires that a public hearing,

be held on the petition, and written notice of the time and place of the hearing shall be mailed at least seven days prior thereto by the clerk of the city or by the selectmen of the town to all owners of real estate abutting upon that part of the way upon, along, across or under which the line is to be constructed, as such ownership is determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

To facilitate that public notice, the Company encloses a list obtained from your Tax Assessor's Office of all direct abutters to the public ways along which the line will be constructed.

G.L. c. 166, § 22 also requires that,

[t]he order granting a location ... shall be recorded by the city or town clerk in books kept exclusively therefor, and where notice has been given as hereinbefore provided the clerk of the city or the chairman or a majority of the selectmen shall certify on said record that the order was adopted after due notice and a public hearing as hereinbefore prescribed, and no such order shall be valid without such certificate.

Accordingly, an Order and Certificate are also enclosed for your use.

The Company respectfully requests that this petition be added to the City Council's agenda as soon as possible.

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Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Assistant General Counsel & Director National Grid Service Company, Inc.

Enclosures

cc:

Timothy O'Leary, NG

Faith Hassel, NG

#### CITY OF BEVERLY TRANSMISSION LINE FRANCHISE

### PETITION OF NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY : TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY :

Petitioner New England Power Company respectfully represents that it is a company incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts and authorized to transmit and distribute electricity, and that in accordance with such authority it desires to construct, maintain, repair, operate and use lines for the transmission of high and low electric current, data and other intelligence, upon, along, through, over, under and across the hereinafter named public ways in the City of Beverly, Massachusetts.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that, after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted locations for and permission and consent to construct, maintain, repair, operate, and use, such transmission lines; the wires to be strung upon, along, through, over, under and across said public ways. The names of the public ways crossed and of the ways along which the underground duct bank and lines will be located, and of the owners of real estate abutting upon that portion of the way to be occupied by the lines, as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation, are as follows:

Public Way	Owners of Abutting Property	Parcel ID
1. Congress Street	10 Congress Street Owner LLC c/o The Procopio Companies	1-1
	Kenyon, Joanne & Peckham, Kimberly	1-58-3
	Horack, Edward & Elisa	1-58-5
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	Corio, Donna	4-105-1
	Robidoux, Ellen	4-105-2
	Page, Thomas & Jeanette	4-112
	Shehu, Etleva & Germenji, Eralba	4-120A
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	61 Cross Lane Realty Trust	33-39
	Hartman, Kenneth & Margaret	JJ J)
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	(Trustees)	33-40
	Gough, Robert & Catherine	33-40
	Moldaver, Rodion & Jennifer	33-41
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•	Lampman, Richard & Donna	
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26. Greening Way	Jalbert, Jesse & Stefanie	33-6A
	Raymond D Wochner 2020 Revocable	33-6C
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	Marcia Kay Wochner 2020	
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	Trust	
	Jalbert, Jesse & Stefanie (Trustees)	
27. Boyles Street	Edelstein, Ralph & Eileen	33-7A
=,	Beatty, Michael & Carolyn	33-8
	Allen, John & Debra	
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	Palmer Investment Trust	33-9
	Palmer, Charles (Trustee)	
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	Rodde, Laetitia (Trustee)	
28. Birch Woods Drive	Mclane, James & Susan	33-45
	Edelstein, Alison	33-56

The center line of the proposed transmission line beneath said public ways to be located not over thirty (30) feet from the approximate location of the center line of the proposed transmission line shown on the plans attached hereto entitled "GRANT OF LOCATION PLANS, N-192 CABLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, BEVERLY, MA" Plans B1 through B65, which are incorporated herein by reference; the power wires to be installed beneath said public ways between manholes in underground duct banks containing not over six (6) conduits.

#### NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY

	By:  Authorized Representative,  Michael E. Guerin
Waltham, MA, February 11, 2022	
City of Beverly, Mass.	February, 2022
	Received, filed and public hearing ordered.
	Chair of the City Council (CITY SEAL)

#### CITY OF BEVERLY TRANSMISSION LINE FRANCHISES

#### ORDER OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY CITY COUNCIL

ORDERED: Petition having been filed, notice given and public hearing held as provided by law, it is hereby ordered, pursuant to Sections 21 and 22 of Chapter 166 of the Massachusetts General Laws, that NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY (the "Company"), its successors and assigns, be and are hereby granted locations for, and permission and consent to construct, maintain, repair, operate and use lines for the transmission of high and low electric current, data and other intelligence, upon, along, through, over, under and across certain public ways in the City of Beverly, including Congress Street, Wellman Street, Cabot Street, Webber Avenue, River Street, Pleasant Street, Rantoul Street, School Street, Broadway, Endicott Street, Thorndike Street, Park Street, Essex Street, Hale Street, Bancroft Avenue, Ocean Street, Monument Square, Abbott Street, Dane Street, Lothrop Street, East Street, Corning Street, Ray Street, Cavendish Street, Cross Lane, Greening Way, Boyles Street and Birch Woods Drive, as requested in its Petition dated February 11, 2022, the wires to be installed beneath said public ways between manholes in underground duct banks containing not over six (6) conduits. The center line of each of the proposed transmission lines beneath said public ways to be located not over thirty (30) feet from the approximate location of the center line of each of the proposed transmission lines shown on the plans attached hereto entitled "GRANT OF LOCATION PLANS, N-192 CABLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, BEVERLY, MA" Plans B1 through B65, which plans are incorporated herein by reference.

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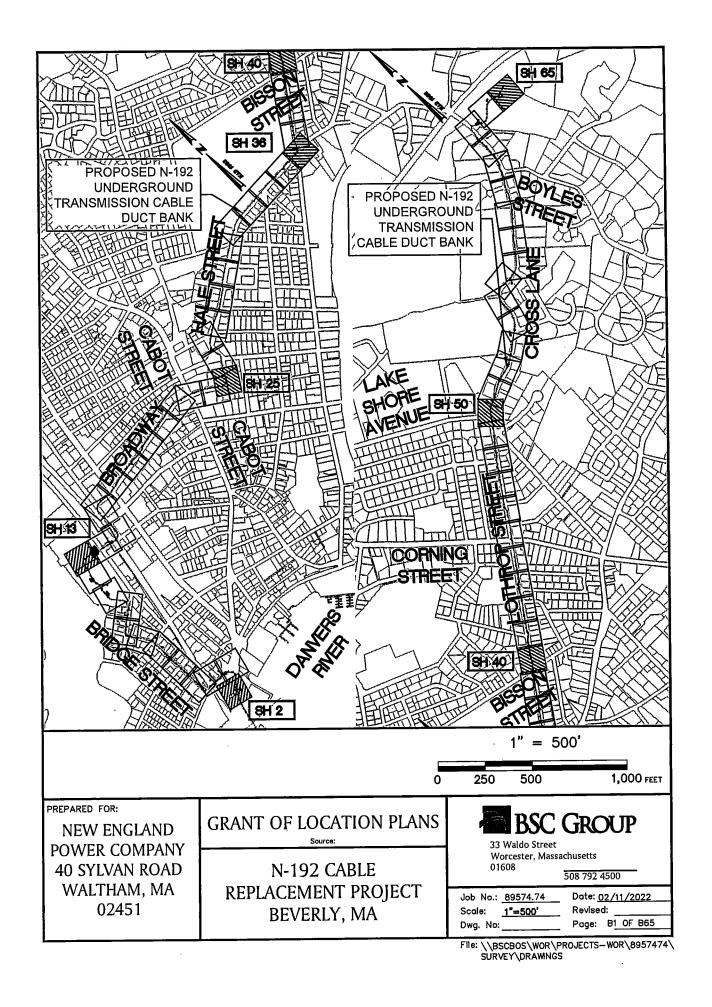
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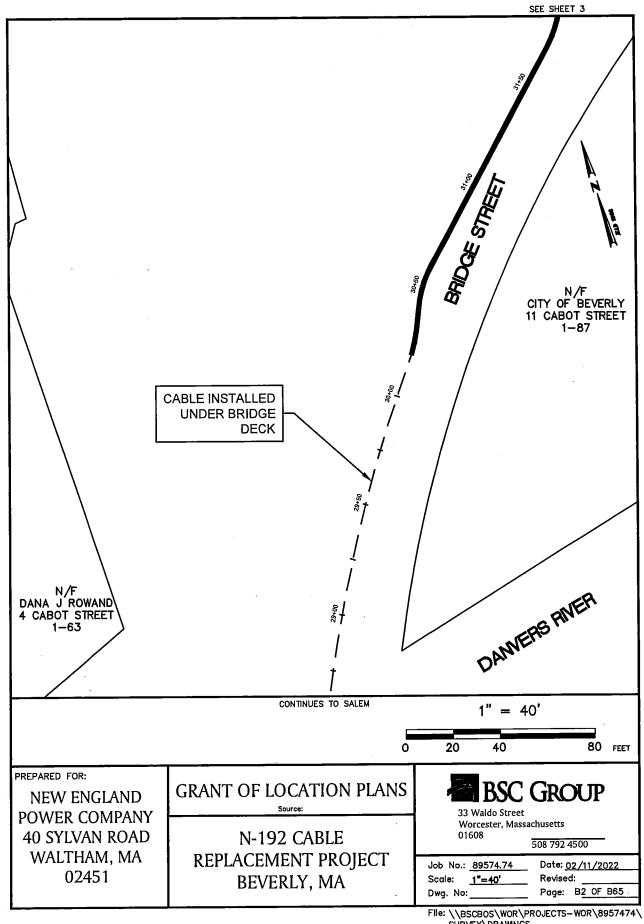
## CITY OF BEVERLY TRANSMISSION LINE FRANCHISE CERTIFICATE OF THE BEVERLY CITY COUNCIL

We, the City Council of the City of Beverly, Massachusetts, hereby certify that the forgoing Order was adopted on	
City of Beverly City Council	
Chair	,
Member	Member
Dated:, 2022	

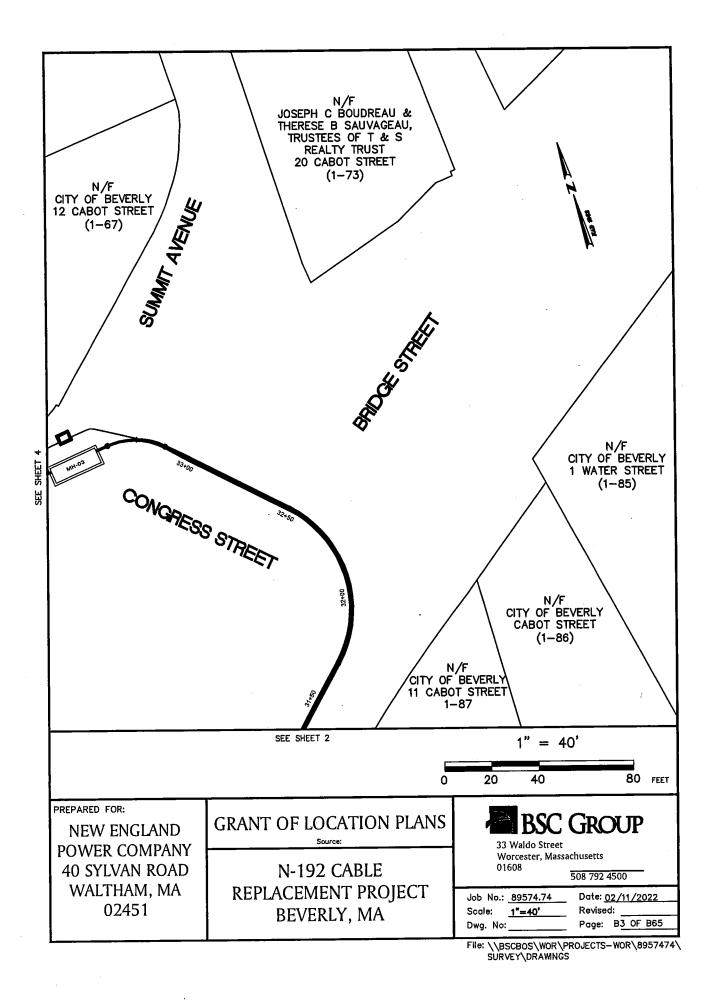
### CERTIFICATE OF THE CITY CLERK OF BEVERLY, MASS.

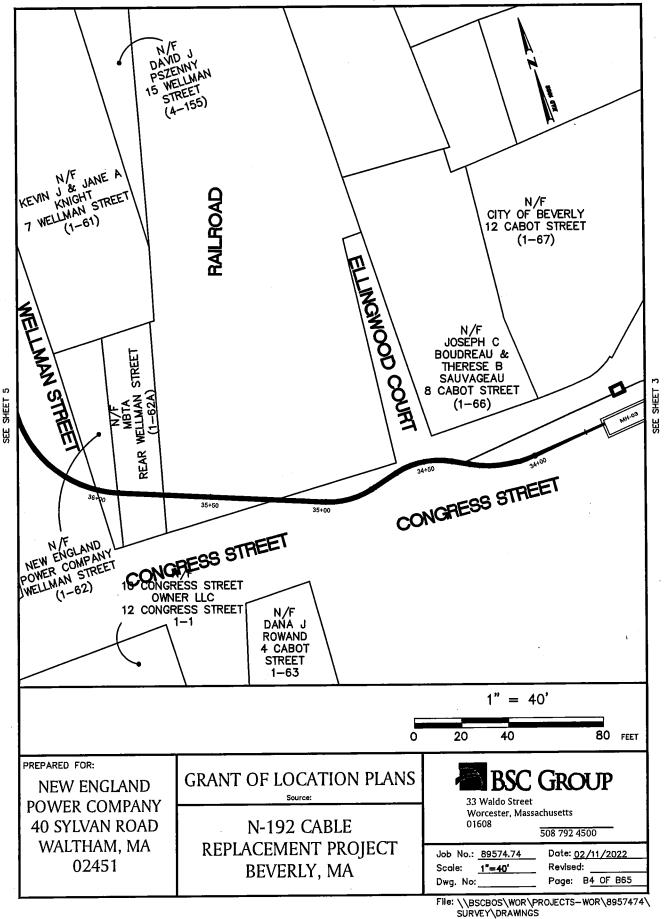
I, the Clerk of Beverly, M	lassachusetts, hereby certify that the foregoing Order was
adopted by the City Council on _	, 2022, and that said Order and forgoing
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, and that said certificate i	s signed on said records by said City Council.
Attest:	CI 1 CP 1 M
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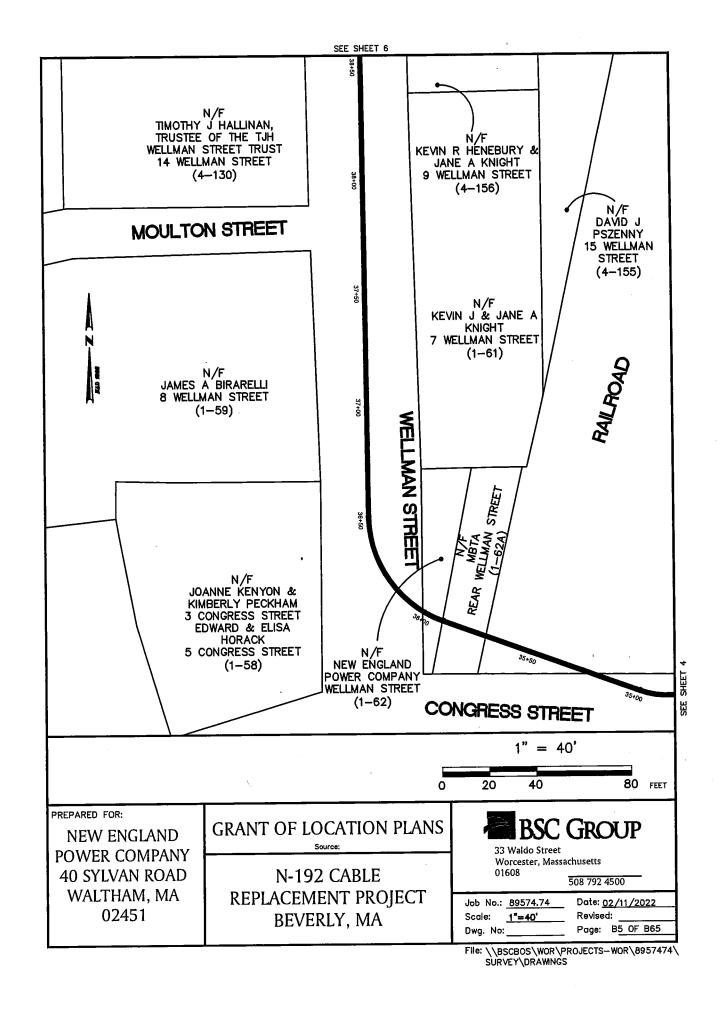


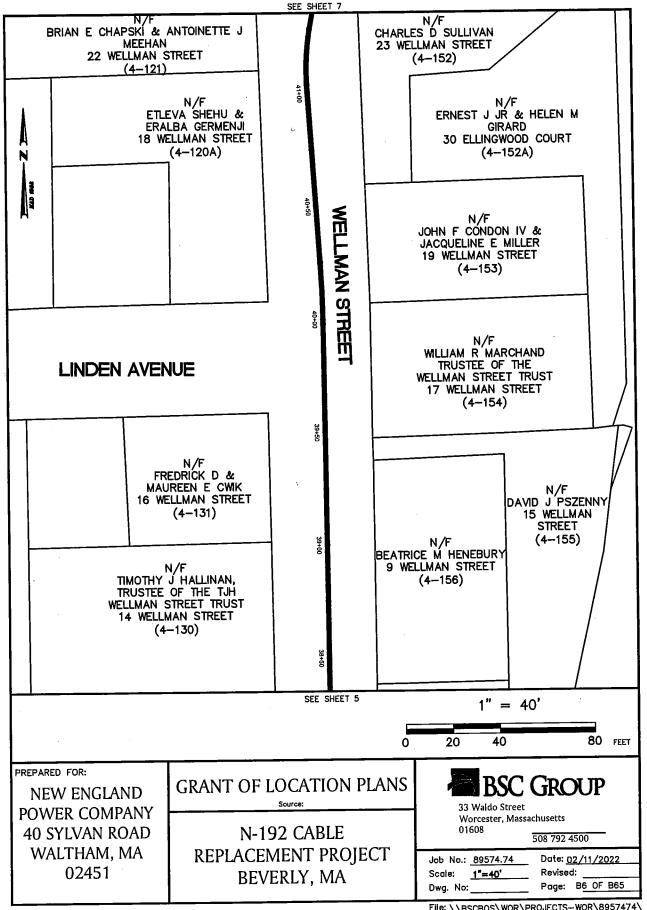


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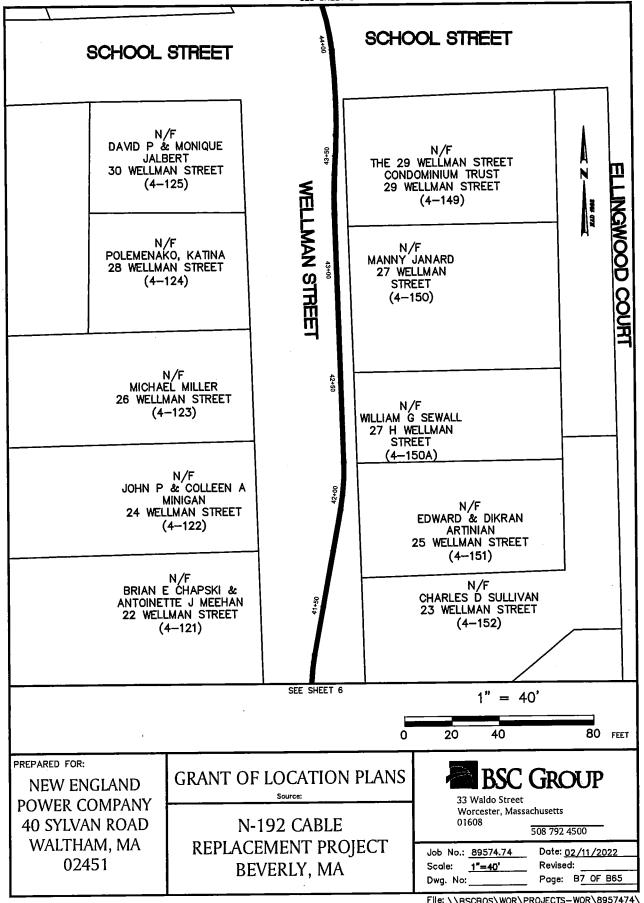




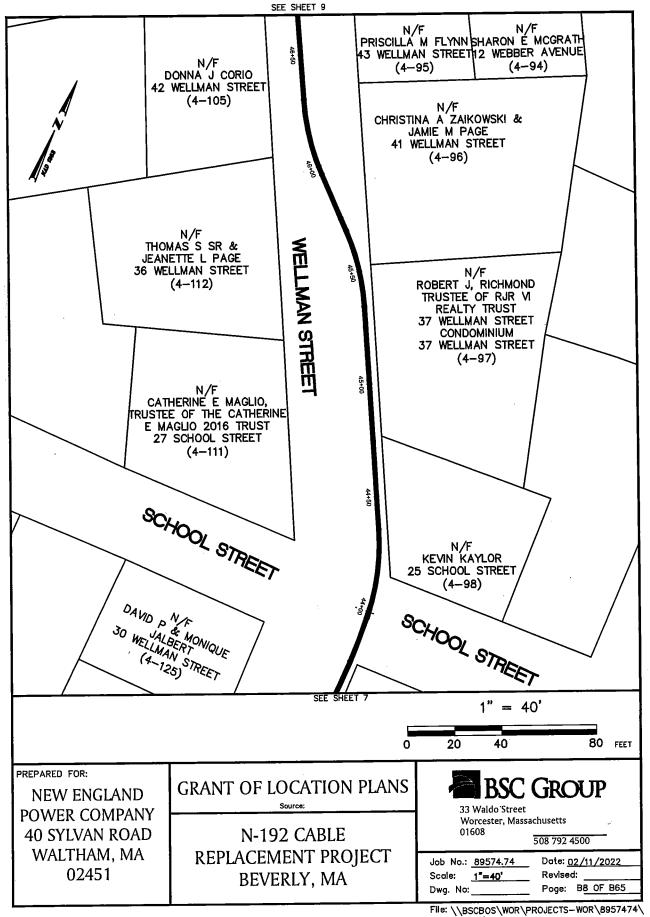




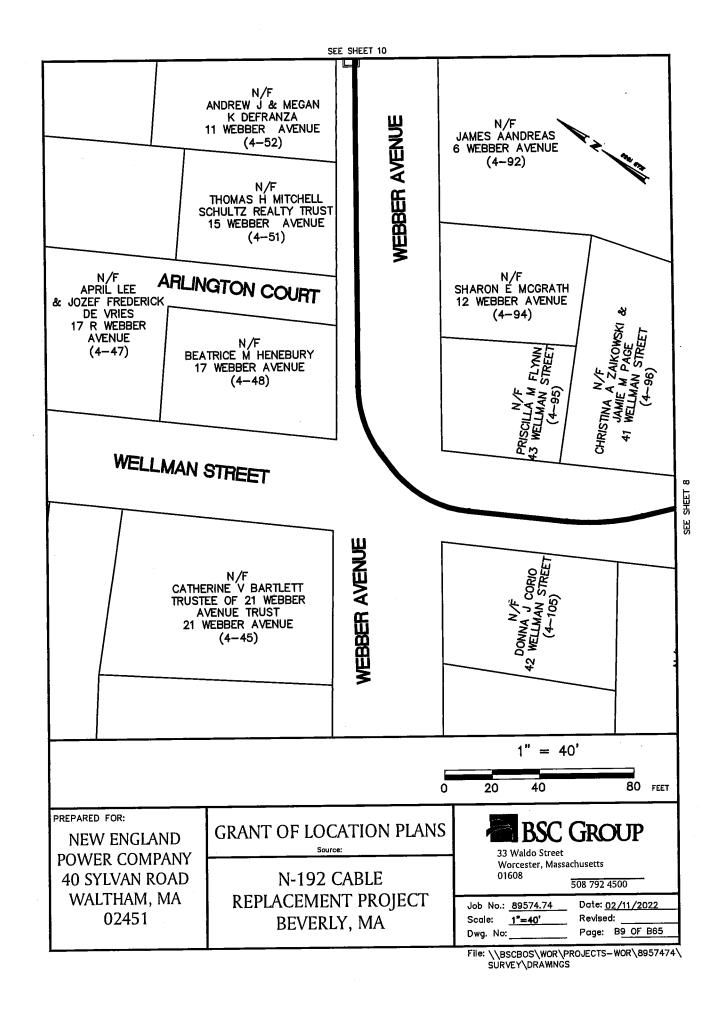
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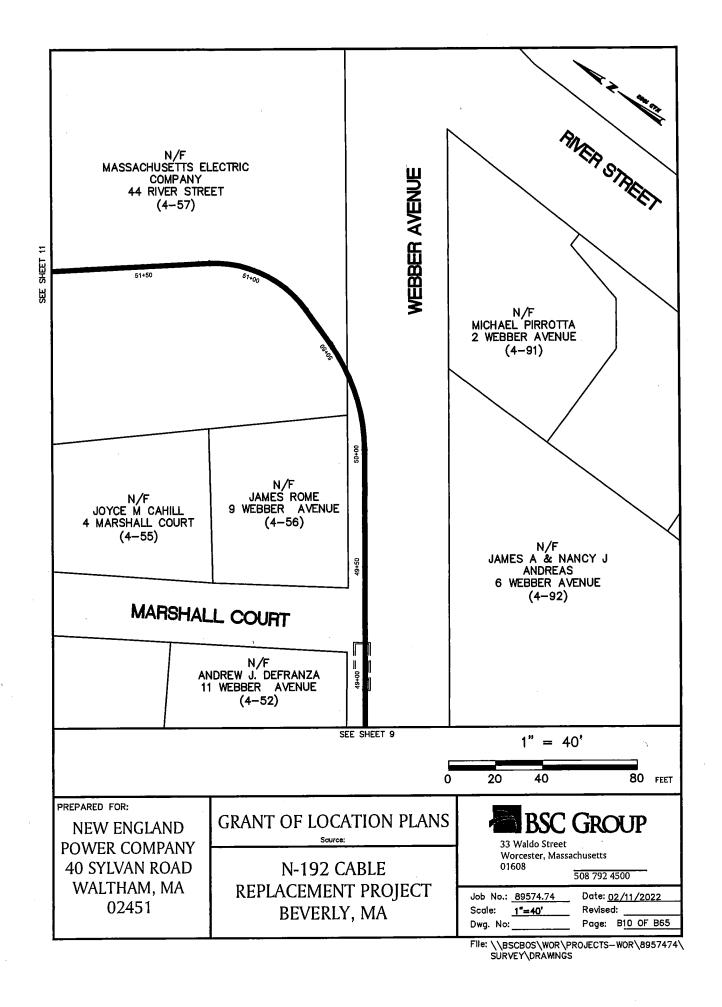


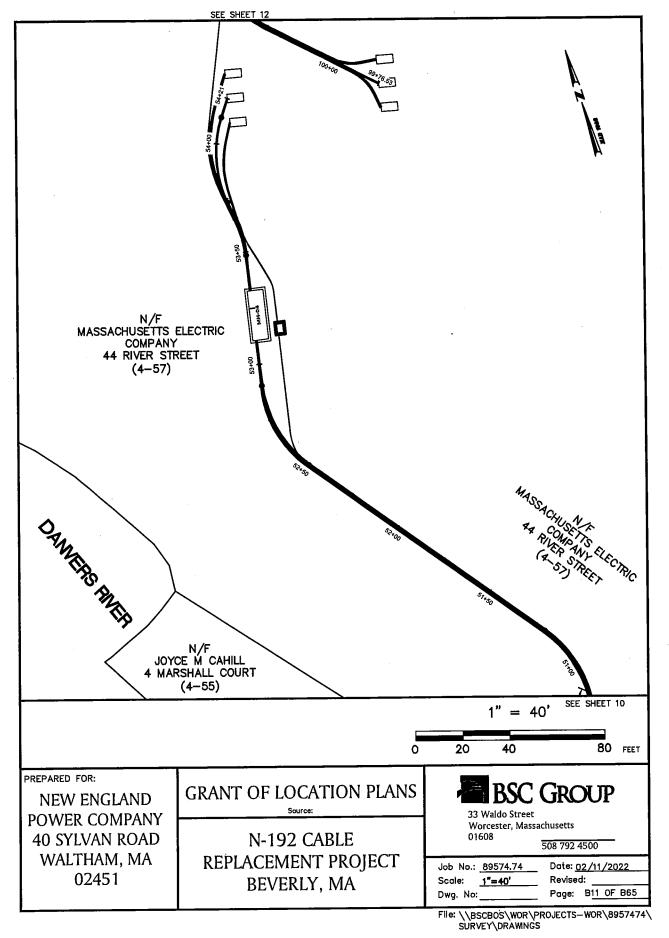
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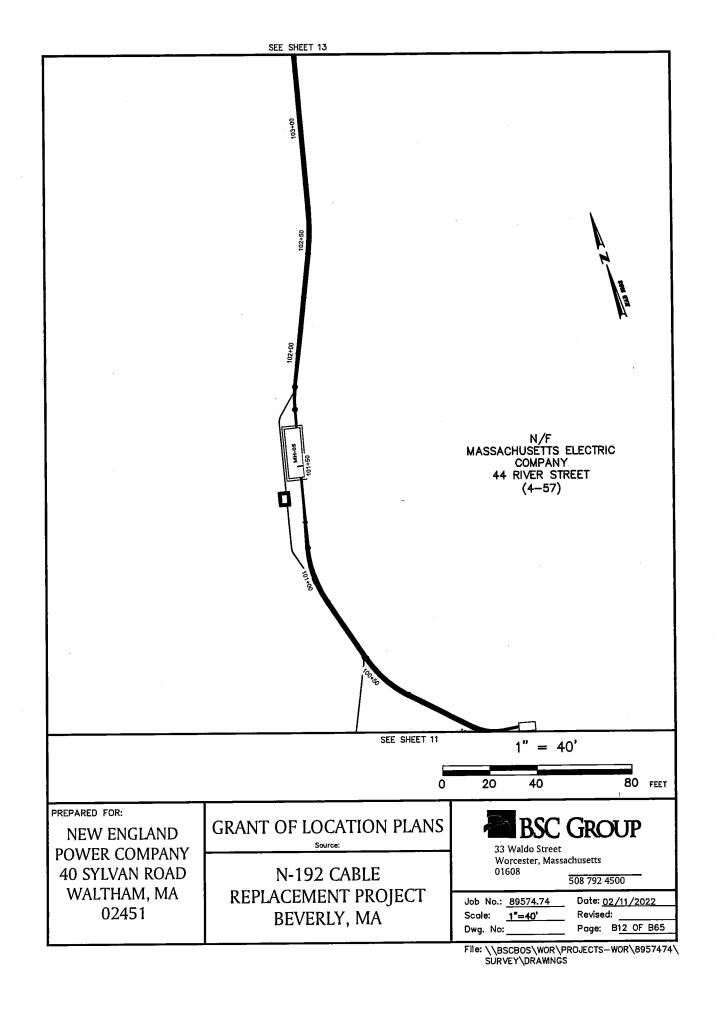


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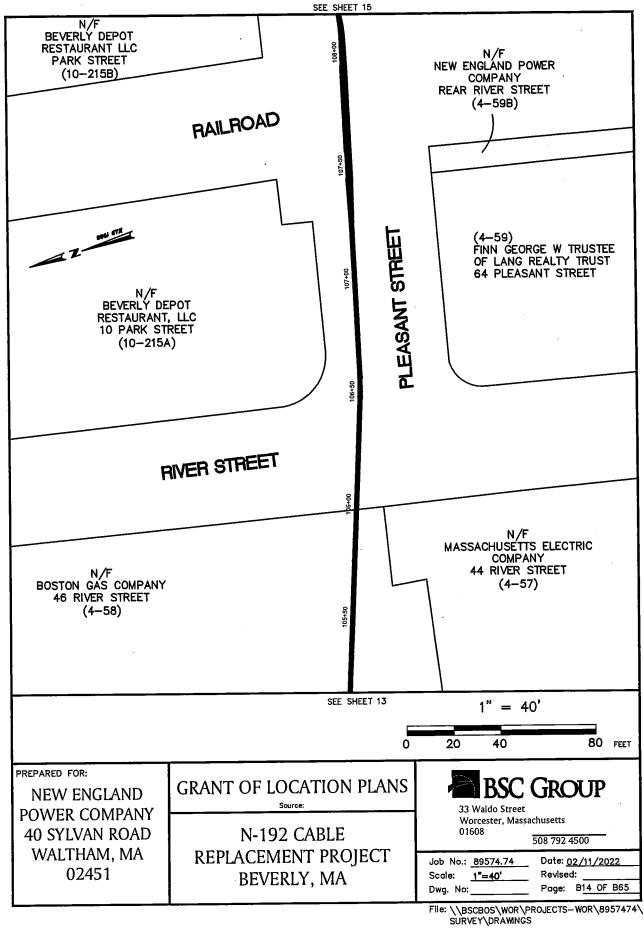


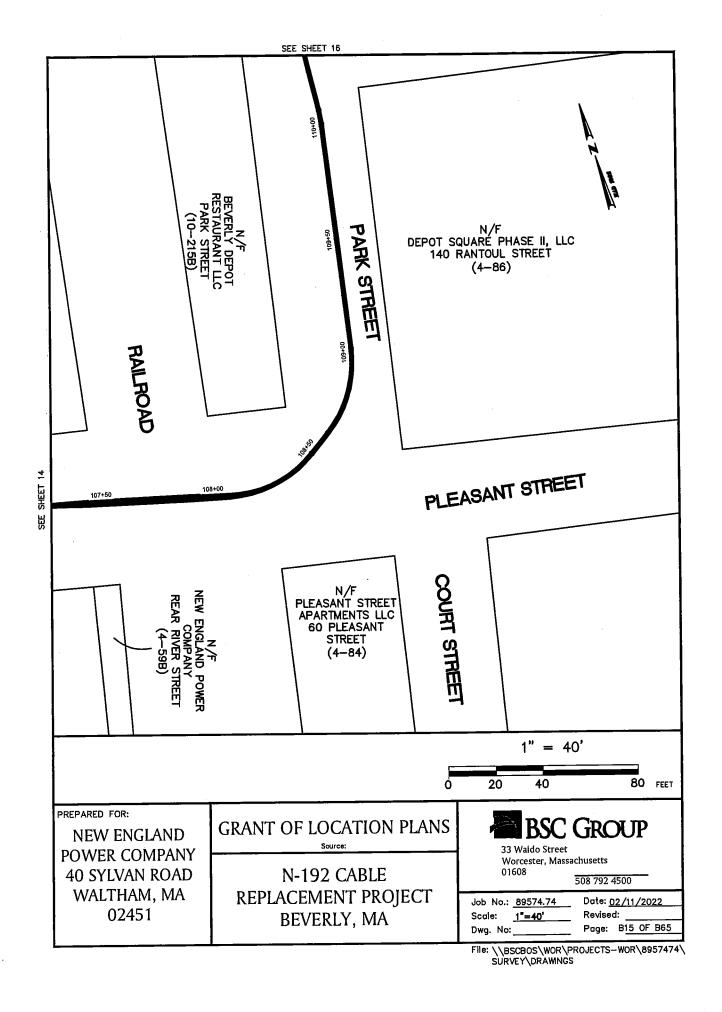


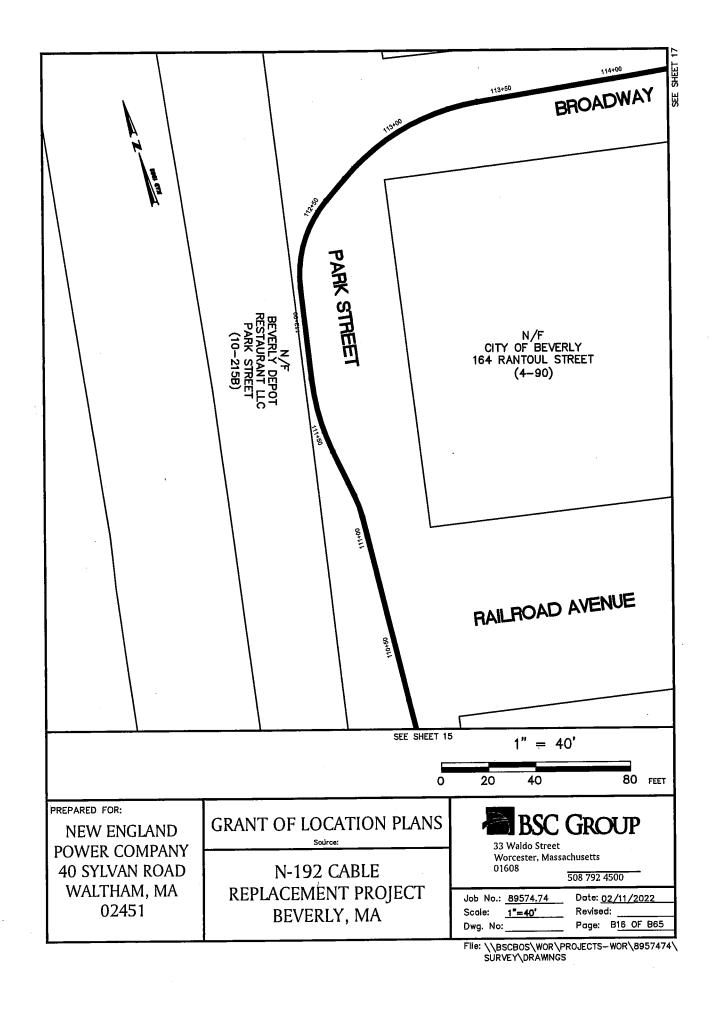


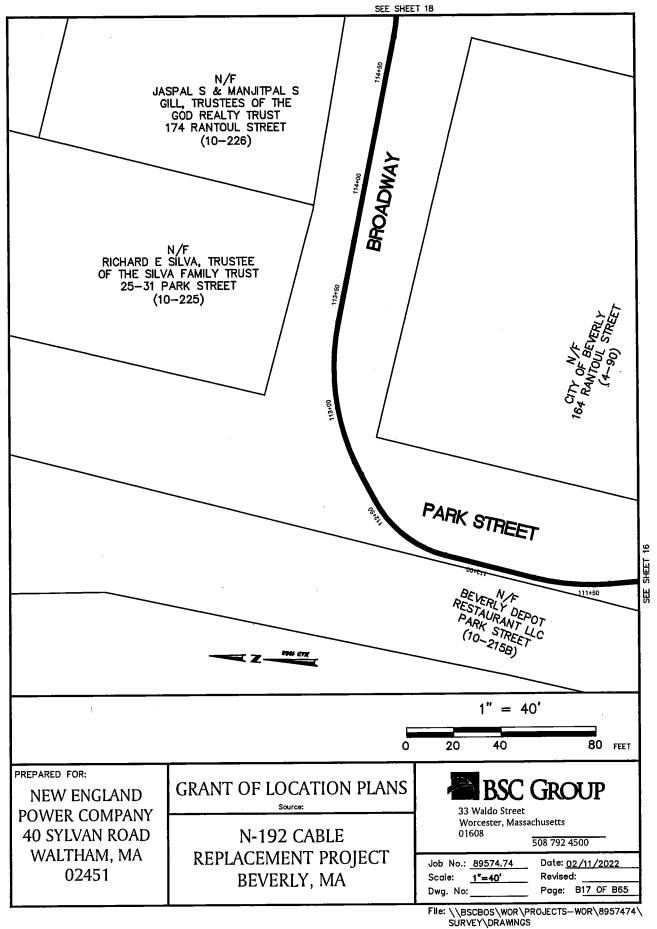


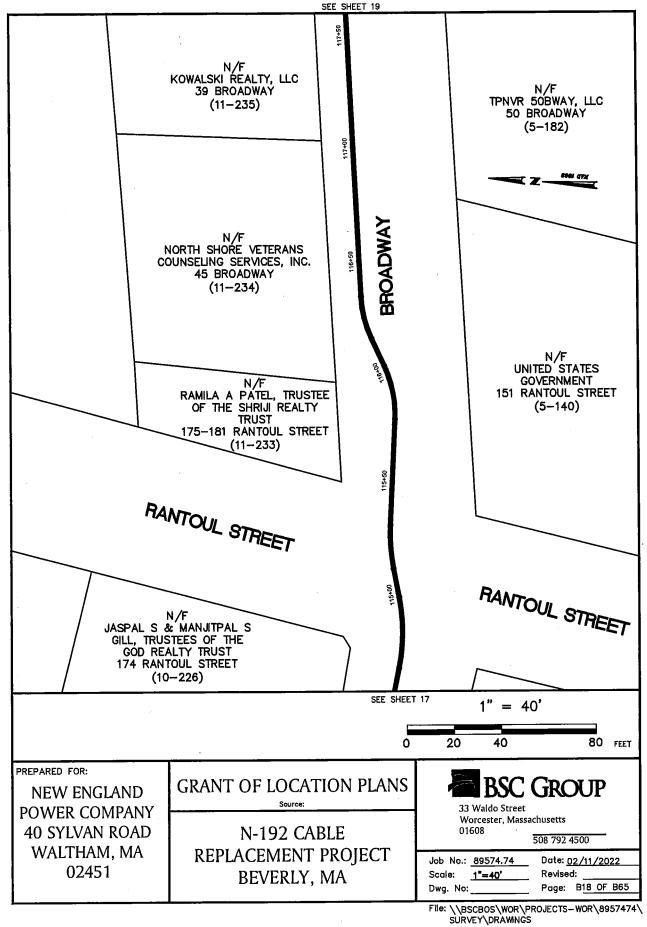
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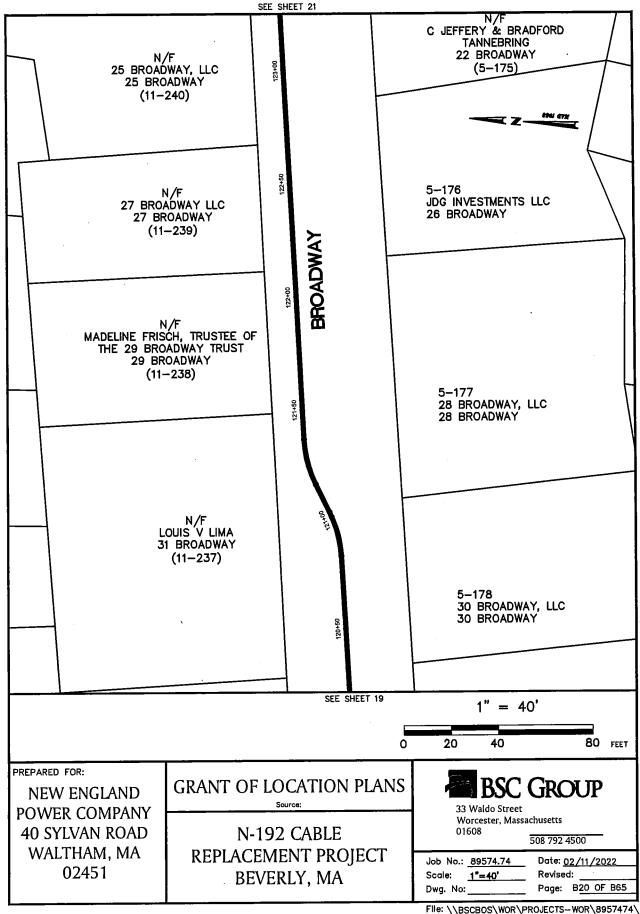








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